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In Claims of Britain, Germany and Italy

Preference. (Associated Press.)

The Hague, Feb. 22.—The arbitration tribunal, which has been considering the claims of the blockading powers for preferential treatment of their claims against Venezuela, has decided unanimously that the three blockading powers, Great Britain, Germany and Italy, have the right to a preference of 30 per cent, of the customs duty at La Guaira and Puerto Cabello, the billionets to now their owners in the results.

and the equity of the case, and that the reary 13th, 1993, and particularly the pro-tacel of May 7th, whereof the obligatory nature cannot be doubtful, form the legal basis of its sentence that the tribunal is not competent to question the jurisdiction of the mixed commissions at Caracas nor-to judge their action or the character of the warlike operations of the blockading powers, nor to decide if the three blockad-

Britain, that after the war no formal treaty of peace was concluded, that the operations of the blockaders were stopped before they had received satisfaction for all their claims, and further that the question of preferential treatment was submitted to arbitration.

The tribunal declares that it found and recognized in these facts precious evidence in favor of the great principle of arbitration in all phases of international conflict. In addition to the protocols the blockaders could not have intended to renounce their acquired rights nor their privileged defacts position. The government of Venemuela itself had recognized in principle the function of their claims, while it had not recognized those of non-blockading powers and until the end of January, 1008, made not the slightest protest against the claims the orect against the claims the breed well as the breed well as the diplomatic negotiations Venezuela constantly distinguished between the allied core powers and the neutrals. These latter, not having protested against the claims for distinguished by it.

preference of the blockaulog part of the protocol of at the time the war stopped nor immediately after the signature of the protocol of February 13th, the government of Yenewallon only agreed in respect to allied powers to offer special guarantees for the fulfillment of its engagements. The good fulfillment of its engagements. The good the which should direct international respectively. It is considered very probable that the Vice-Admiral has made another attack the Russians as he is engaged in preference of the blockading powers either at the time the war stopped nor immedifaith which should direct international re-lations impose the duty on the tribunal that the words "all claims" employed by the Venezuelan representatives in the nego-tiations with the representatives of the ailled powers could relate only to the latter-powers. Neutrals should in some respect profit by the circumstances created by the operations of the war without acquiring new rights, the rights already acquired re-maining absolutely intact.

In the decision the United States is charged merely to supervise the carrying cut of the decision regarding costs.

After the delivery of the decision, Presi-dent Muravieff, the Russian minister of justice, in a short speech, declared that

dent Muravieff, the Russian minister of justice, in a short speech, declared that the findings had been reached after a most minute and most impartial investigation. "Like all human acts," he added, "the décision was susceptible to criticism, but now it was made everyone should accept. The arbitration, begun in times of peace, had ended amidst acts of war, which was a terrible obstacle in the path of light and progress. In spite of all good will, alas, no one was secure against an unexpected hostile attack. A nation was obliged to accept a war when the legitimate defence of honor and liberty was involved. The just Providence which ruled over battles will distinguish between right and upfounded pretensions. At the end of this war between a European and an Asiatic people The president concluded with saying that The Hague arbitration tribunal re-nains always the rampart of justice, truth and reason, and the sublime hope of the

MRS. LANGTRY BUYS HORSES.

English actress, has purchased of Will J. Davis, owner of Willowdale farm, Crown Point, Ind., three trotters and two brood marcs. The horses will be shipped to her breeding farm in Eng-land. Mrs. Langtry intends to go in 5 the breeding of light harness horses as well as thoroughbreds.

Coffee is very antiseptic. There are man

RUSSIAN TORPEDO BOATS

Large Flotilla at Port Arthur May Try Conclusions With Japanese Fleet---Report of Fight Discredited.

Newchang to the World says it is reported that the Russian and Japanes utposts on the Yalu have been engaged and that the Russians suffered considerless, about 2,500.

churia. He said:

"We have found that Russia is so unexpectedly unprepared that I should not be surprised if the Japanese land forces contented themselves with establishing a thorough organization and advancing as the construction of the railway towards the Yalu river progresses. Russia appears to be less prepared than was China in 1895. I believe that only three trains a day can be run through displaced at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald from its being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington is going to drive that a Chinese squadron is being mobilized at Shanghal, says the Washington is going to drive that the Black Sea fleet

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ssible owing to the ice." Baron Hayashi does not credit the re ort that 2,500 Russians have been killed in an outpost engagement at the Yalu in that vicinity enough to inflict such a

The only naval development Baron Hayashi expects in the near future is a possible attack on the Japanese fleet y the powerful Russian torpedo flotilla at Port Arthur and hitherto unused.

On the Japanese side, except possible tions against Russia's Vladivostock quadron, the Japanese does not look for evelopments at present, believing that Admiral Togo was satisfied to keep the disabled Russian squadron prisoners at Port Arthur.

having barely 100,000 troops in Man-

ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR,

Report Not Confirmed, But Japanese Navy Department Consider It Probably True.

bleckading Port Arthur.

FOR THE YALU.

Russian Troops Are Being Rushed For ward as Quickly as Possible.

Chefoo, Feb. 22 .- The captain of the German steamer Pronto, just arrived from Dalny, says positively that besides the torpedo gunboat Yenisei, accident ally destroyed by one of her own mines the Russians have just lost another ship by an accident on the 12th instant. This learned. In avoiding some mines she ran upon rocks, which she eventally slipped off into deep water and sank. There was no loss of life attached to the

one thousand Japanese, landed at geon or Dove bay, had been annihil-

rigon of Dove-bay, had been animalrated.

Port Arthur is said to be entirely out
of beef and vegetables and drawing
upon Dalmy for a slim supply.

Troops are being rushed towards the
Yaliu with all expedition possible.

The Pronto was sent from Port Arthur to Dalny for refugees, chiefly Japanese women. While leaving Port Arthur, with all lights out, she was fired
upon by a Russian cruiser, fifteen shots
striking her upper works. It was subsequently explained that she was mistaken for a Japanese torpedo boat. The
entrance to Dalny is honeycombed with
mines. Nothing was seen on the passage
to this port of either the Russian or the
Japanese fleets.

(Amociated Press.)

New York, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from the entire crew, 197 in number, were lost.

ONLY TEMPORARY.

Time May Come When Nentrality China Will Be Neither Possible Nor Desirable,

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"Naturally, therefore, the Chinese day to decke that fit continuous neutrality is neither possible nor desirable."

here by some that the action of China, if she demands the Russian cruiser's withdrawal, will have to be supported by the powers, most of whom have warships at Shanghai. It is claimed that other nations are bound to help China maintain her neutrality if she finds she cannot do so herself.

WILL RENEW ATTEMPT.

Russian Vladivostock Squadron Will Return to Hallodate Next Month.

Return to Hakodate Next Month.

Nagasaki, Feb. 22.—The steamer Stolberg has arrived here from Viadicostock with twenty white foreigners, 150 Chinese and 50 Japanese. She brings in addition forty survivors of the Japanese steamer Nakononra Maru, which was sunk by the Russian crufser squadroa from Viadivostock on February 11th. Two of these were drowned during their transfer to the Russian ships. The survivors were well treated and provided with return passage.

The Viadivostock squadron intended to bombard Hakodate but a snowstorm prevented the vessels from entering the Straits of Tsuruga. They intend to make another attempt to reach Hakodate in March with cruisers, five torpedo boats and an almed transport.

The civilans at Viadivostock have been ordered to leave owing to the scarcity of food, as the government is taking everything available. Panie has seized the Chinese, who are leaving by the wholesale.

TRANSPORTS RETURNING.

The Russian Boats Enter Suez Canal Bound For Port Said.

tacked Port Arthur.

It is impossible to confirm the statement, but the navy department says it has had no news from Togo to-day.

It is considered very probable that the Canal bound for the Far East, returned here to-day and entered the canal on their way to Port Said.

STEAMER SEIZED,

The Rosalie Captured By the Russians at Vladivostock.

(Associated Press.)
London, Feb. 22.—The owners of the British steamer Rosalie, from Cardiff, November 22nd, for Vladivostock, and which saited from Nagasaki on January 18th, have been notified that she has been captured by the Russians at Vladivostock.

SATISFACTORY REPLY.

Russian Fleet, Except Two Torpedo Boats, Have Left Jibutil.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—The assurances of France that the Russian fleet, except two torpedo boat destroyers, which have been disarmed, and will be defined until the war-ends, have left Jibutii, French Somaliland, reached Tokio to-day and produced a feeling of general satisfaction.

ting the Russians to use its permitting the Russians to use its permass bases for naval operations, but is concerned over the long delay of the Flotilla at Jibutil and has made representations to France on the subject.

DELAY NECESSARY.

Russian Paper Says It Will Be Som Time Before Extensive Operations Are Necessary.

taken for a Japanese torpedo boat. The entrance to Dahry is honeycombed with mines. Nothing was seen on the passage to this port of either the Russian or the Japanese fleets.

The small Russian cruiser reported destroyed in the above disparch was probably the Boyarin, previously announced to have been blown up by a mine in Port Arthur on February 13th. Another account said she ran on the rocks, while endeavoring to pick up a number of mines which had been brought to the surface. It was stated in a St.

sian minister at Scoul, of the fight at Chemulpo, declares that the Japanese action takes them from the list of civilized powers and predicts a revival of European solidity against the "wild Asiatic enemy." The paper points out the inevitability of long delay before extensive military one-rations will be your tensive military operations will be possible, owing to the immense area to be defended and the rigors of the climate.

MINISTER'S VIEW.

M. Deleasse Says Russian Operations Will not Begin Until April.

Paris, Feb. 22.-The Gil Blas affirms Paris, Feb. 22.—The Gil Blas affirms that at the last council of ministers it was decided definitely to put off President Loubet's visit to Italy, but the reason for the postponement of the President's trip has not yet been announced. Foreign Minister Delcasse informed President. Loubett and his colledgues that the Russian army operations will not begin seriously before April, and it is considered impossible that the President shall take part in the fetes which will attend his visit while the ally of France is engaged in a desperate strug-

### WOULD GIVE THE TURKS A FREE HAND

IN SETTLING THE BALKAN DIFFICULTIES

one Russia's Proposals to the Porte Regard-

The terms, it is added, are that Turke

the vital question of the command of the the vital question of the command of the sea in the Far East in favor of Russia.

A dispatch from London to the Sun says it is announced from Paris last evening that Britain and France are taking concerted action to regulate the Balkan situation, seeking to restrain Turkey and the war party in Bulgaria.

WAS NOT INJURED.

Slight Mishap to King Edward While Inspecting the Cruiser Cumberland at Portsmuoth.

New York, Feb. 22.—While King Edward was inspecting the cruiser Cumthe Sun from Portsmouth, he slipped on a water-tight door and fell, slightly injuring his leg. When he subsequently went to the naval barracks a gymnasium chair was provided to enable him to pre side at a dinner party.

Was Not Injured.

Portsmouth, Eng., Feb. 22. King Edward, who is enjoying perfect health, was early astir and carried out a long programme this morning, visiting—the naval gunner school at Whale Island inspecting the officers and men's quarters, and witnessing a land attack by a naval brigade. His Majesty, afterwards proceeded to Portsea and was present at terbrigade. His Majesty afterwards pro-ceeded to Portsea and was present at forreceded to Portsea and was present at forped o practice and submarine experiments. The mishap yesterday to the King was insignificant. He stumbled and fell while inspecting the cruiser Cumberland, but was not injured. The day's programme was not cutailed, and His Apples Burned. programme was not culture party last Majesty presided at a dinner party last

LUMBER RATES UNCHANGED

Increased Taxation Makes It Impossible For C. P. R. to Lower Freight Charges.

(Special to the Times.)

Vancouver, Feb. 22.—F. W. Peters, general freight agent of the C. P. R., said to-day there would be no reduction in the rates for lumber or other British Columbia shipments. Mr. Peters added that it was a very poor time to ask for lower rates when the provincial government was increasing the faxation of the railway to ten thousand dollars a mile, and virtually making the C. P. R. pay for the Great Northern bridge across the Fraser. (Special to the Times.)

TWO VESSELS ASHORE.

Five of the Crew of the Schooner Benjam C. Cromwell Drowned.

(Associated Press.) York, Feb. 22.—Five Activation of the week of the schooler Ben-jamin C. Cromwell off Belleport, L. I., to-day, only two of the crew of seven being rescued from the breakers when they were washed ashore on pieces of wreckage.

During a dense fog, high sea and wind, two vessels went nature, one near Belle two vessels went ashore, one near Belle port, L. I., and the other near Long Beach N., J. The former, Benjamin C. Cromwell of Portland, Me., was bound from Charles ton, S. C., for Halifax, with pine. The name of the ship ashore at Long Beach is as yet unknown. The mate of the Ben-jamin C. Cromwell was among those

GRAIN FIRM'S FAILURE.

(Associated Press.) Bremen, Feb. 22.—The failure is an-nonneed of the grain firm of Johann Lahusen. The liabilities are estimated at \$250,000, and the assets at \$50,000. Some American grain firms are said to

### BRAKEMAN KILLED IN RAILWAY WRECK

WOMAN FOUND DEAD; FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

Lived Alone in Cabin and Was Known to Have Good Banking Account -Two Fires.

(Associated Press.) Winnipeg, Feb. 22.-A lamp exploded n the Presbyterian church at Stonewall, Man., on Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. McLean, the paster, was badly burned about the face and band. The church

Fatally Injured.

T. R. Cauchon, brakeman, was fatally njured in the railway yards this morn ng, by stepping in front of a yard en

The Baptists of Brandon wi

\$25,000 edifice this summer. New Manager.

W. G. Hunt, of Montreal, has arrived to take the management of the Mass y The land of the land Preparing For Operatio Activity in Stergeon Lake gold mining

district is promised this season. The mining plant of the Golden Star mine is being moved to the Stamberry reef property, which is said to be rich in gold.

day morning. The less on store is evi-mated at \$19,000; insurance, \$7,000. The loss on the building is unknown; insur-ance, \$5,000. The fire-was caused by an explosion of gas in the basement. The building was also occupied by the public library. Division court, stock exchange

and law offices. Seeking Land.

Lethbridge, Feb. 22.—The immigrationoffice is duily in receipt of inquiries from
prospective settlers. These inquiries
come particularly from Idaho, Wyoming,
Nebraska and Kansas, though to-day
one came from Guayaquil Ecuador, South
America. The writer, a Mr. Stuyvosant, is auxious to buy two sections of
ranges for 5,000 head of cattle, Another
land seeker is a returned Klonikker, who ranges for show need of cattle. Another land seeker is a returned Klondiker, who having made his pile in the frozen north, is anxious to buy a ranch and stock and settle down in sunay Alberta. A sincle example will show how grazing land, at least least the other cattle. least land thought only suitable for grazleast land thought only suitable for graz-ing a few years ago, is being taken up for farming. Two years ago A. Brad-shaw bought five sections of grazing land from the irrigation company at \$3.50 per acre. The other day he sold it to farmers at \$10 per acre. Though he but paid down only \$3.000. He cleaned up-almost \$21,000 on the deat.

- Collission, Chatham, Out., Feb. 22.—A fatal collision occurred on the Erie and Huron division of the Pere Marquette railway early yesterday at Port Lautton, Brakeman Frank Hutchison was killed, and one engine was badly wrecked, Oth ramembers of the train crews escaped with a shaking up.

a shaking up.

Trenton, Ont., Feb. 22 - A large-storage building, property of a Liverpool concern, containing 0,000 barrels of ap-ples, was desfroyed by fire on Saturday. The loss is mearly \$50,000.

Building Collapsed. Montreal, Feb. 22.-One-half of the blacksmith department of the new C. P. R. shops in the East end caved in on Saturday afternoon, and became a mass of brick and mortar, timbers and strictural steel. The loss is estimated at about \$15,000.

Found in Snowbank.

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Frederickion, N. B., Feb. 22 Agricut
H. Shea, a graduate of the University
of New Brunswick, and until recently
engaged in private teaching here, was
found at daylight yesterday morning
lying in a snow bank unconscious with
out a vestige of clothing on him and his
legs frozen from the kives down. He
had been showing symptoms of insanity
lately, and left home early yesterday
morning. Firemen found him after two
hours' search. His feet will have to be
amputated to save his life.

HUNDREDS DROWNED.

Dam on River Burst and Number of VII-

Mr. and Mrs. McRae and Miss McMillan

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Feb. 22.—The state department has received a cable from Korea stating that Mr. and Mrs. McRas and Miss Me-Millan, the Canadian Prechylerian un-slonaries at Hambeung, bave arrived at

NO. 97.

TIN AND COAL.

Large Deposits Have Been Found in Lower Burmah.

(Associated Press.)

New York, Feb. 22.—A dispatch from Lordon to the Times says: "Col. K. M. Foss stated yesterday that he had been working northward from Mergul, in lower Burmah, to the Stamese frontier with engineers, and that he had discovered deposits of tin-equal to those in the Straits Settlements, and likely to add largely to the world's output. There is excellent coal near the deposits."

SUSPECTED OF THEFT.

Vancouver Police Investigating Charge Against Supposed Russian Spy. (Special to the Times.)

(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, Feb. 22.—A man said to be a Russian spy, is suspected of having-stolen, from a former British naval officer on the Athenian a watch and sum of money. The police are now investigating, but the case does not appear direct enough to warrant the arrest of the supposed spy.

### A STATEMENT OF SEALING CLAIMS

**INCIDENTS ATTENDING** SEIZURE OF VESSELS

List of Cases on Which Commission Will Sit in London on Thursday Next.

Found Dend.

Wiarton, Ont., Feb. 22.—Mrs. Cocarane, an old lady living at Oliphant, six miles from here, was found dead at her bedside frozen stiff. Foul, play is at so suspected. The old lady for years hat lived a secluded, and some say miserable existence, in a little shanty in the work of the late Collector Milne i. ng worked, and works, but was the possessor of a good bank account.

Size Followed Explosion.

Protter, Dunger Followed Explosion.

The circumstances concerted with the seizures are already beginning to fade from the inemories of all but those immediately interested in the matter. They will bear repetition.

The mames, owners of the schooners in and their circumstances attendantly set out as follows:

will bear repetition.

The names, owners of the schooners in question, and thel circumstances attending, maye be briefly set out as follows:

The schooner Arainah, was seized in 1888 on the Russian coast of Siberia, that I found to the coast of Siberia, that I found to the coast of Siberia, the coast of Sib 1888 on the Russian coast of Siberia, about 110 miles from shore. She was in charge of Capt. S. C. Sieward, who was master for the voyage and was owned by that officer and Messrs, Richard Hall and Capt. W. Grant. This seizure was made before any arrangement had been reached relative to the distance from the Commanderoski islands and the Siberian coast where seeling was afterwards represented the commander of th

coast where sealing was afterwards pro Schooner Carmolite, 99 tons, belonged to the port of Liverpool, N. S., and was in command of Capt, Hughes, She was seized on August 26th, 1892, twenty-five miles eastward of Copper islands by a Russian cruiser, and had on board at the time of seizure 630 seal kins, which

Russian cruiser, and had at board at the time of seizure 630 seal kins, which were taken with the schooner. The owners were Capt. Class. Hacket and a number of Nova Scotians.

Schooner Maria, 94 tons, of Maitland, N. S., of which Capt. Spratt Balcom was master, was seized on August 21st. 1892, by the Russian cruiser Kotick, about 27 miles from Copper islands, and had on heard 627 skins, which were confiscated. The owners were represented in this province by Capt. Balcom and Charles Lawrence, of Vancouver.

Schooner Rosie Olsen, 30 tons, was commanded by Capt. Michael O'Keefe, of Victoria, and was seized on July 24th, 1892, about 40 miles from Copper islands by the Russian chuiser Koitck, and had on loard 379 skins, which were confiscated. Worse still, the crew were taken with the vessel to Petropoliski, where this crew, with others, were inhumanly treated. The ogvernor of Petropoliski selected this vessel to take tack to British Columbia these destitute crews, and placed Capt. Copp on board to navigate her to this province. placed Capt. Copp on board to naviga

to this province On the return of the schooler to Van-couver Capt. Copp got into serious trou-ble with the crew, who demanded their wages up to the time of seizure, and for other losses, and subsequently had to go

The owners were Capt. C'Keefe, of Lictoria, Alex. Muuro, and others. The owners claimed damages caused by the interruption of the voyage to the extent of \$29,000, while Capt. Copp endeavored to claim the scheme. to claim the schooner for bringing the ship, the Russian govern r having sured him he could have her. His

sured fam he could have her. His claim was subsequently abandoned.

The Vancouver Helle, 73 tons, was built and owned in Vancouver by an incertorated company. She was seized-about 23 miles from the U-1per islands

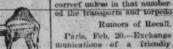
poliski, where she was confiscated and turned juto a revenue cruiser by the governor. Vancouver residents who are claimants on account of this ship include A. Schell, C. Weis, I. Carisen, S. S. Raby, H. Miller, G. O. Lendquist, S. Blon, R. Ruel, John O'Conn r. There was also the schooler Mand S., Capt. R. E. McKell, which was seliced by the Russians near Copp r. islands on a charge of scaling within a prolibited zone. She was sent fo Yobohama to await the action of the British Consular court there as to her liability to selure. Dam on River Burst and Number of Villages Were Swept Away.

(Associated Press.).

Tientsin, Feb. 22.—A telegram from Tsinan-Fu-San-Tung says that hundreds of lives have been lost by the bursting of a dam.on the Hwang Ho. Several villages were destroyed.

CANADIAN MISSIONARIES.

Mr. and Mrs. McRae and Miss McMillan Have Beached Women in Suffer.



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## Campbell's Prescription Store

## IRREGULARS WILL **DEFEND FORTRESS**

**VOLUNTEER CORPS BEING** RAISED AT PORT ARTHUR

Number of Troops Are Arriving at Harbin Russian Scouts Make a Trip Into Korea.

Port Arthur, Feb. 20.—Major-General Pflung, the chief-of-staff of Viceroy Alex-ieff, telegraphed from Port Arthur to-day as follows: "The situation at Port Arthur is un

changed.
"A squad of Cossucks, marching from

Wiju, captured a Japanese major, Tat saru, with five soldiers and two civilians The reports regarding the enemy are gen

"It is reported that troops of YunnShi Kai, commander-in-chief of the
Chinese army, are being dispatched to
Tsin-Chou and Kupang-Tse. All is quiet
in Manchuria."

A later dispatch from Port Arthur announces that, by order of Viceroy Alexieff, an irregular volunteer corps is being
raised to defend the fortress. The men
will be provided by the state with arms,
rations and the necessary clothing. It
is thought, the dispatch adds, that Japan
regards foodstiffs consigned to Port
Arthur as also controband of war, and
that she will undertake to compel the
empitulation of Port Arthur fly a siege.

The ministry of finance-has warned al

Russian merchant ships to remain south of Shanghai, as the Japanese have a squadron composed of one battleship, two first and two second-class cruisers and eleven torpedo boats off Amoy, China, for the purpose of infercepting merchant-

The refusal of the commander of the The refusal of the commander of the United States gunboat. Vicksburg to unite with the commanders of other foreign warships at Chemulpo, to protest against the fighting there on February Sth, which resulted in the loss of the Russian warships Varlag and Korletz, and the fact that the Vicksburg did not take on board any of the survivors, have created unfavorable comment here.

A Russian correspondent of the Associated Press at Port Arthur, reports that the steamer Shilka left Viadivostock on February 3rd, and arrived at Tsu-Shima (a Japanese island northwest of Nagazaki) on: February 6th. The vessel was

(a Japanese island northwest of Naga-saki) on February 6th. The vessel was seized, and without further explanation taken to Nagasaki Bay. The Japanese passengers were landed, but Captain Kosturin successfully opposed the land-ing of his Chinese passengers, who were bound for Chefoo.

bound for Chefoo.

The Czur, according to those who have access to his presence, feels keenly the outbreak of hostilities, and sorrows at the burdens the war entails. T since the bombardment of Port Arthur, the Czar has been much occupied with conferences, and has only appeared in public on one or two occasions, to review describe themses, or to show himself at a on one or two occasions, to review departing troops, or to show himself at a window of the Winter Patace to acknowledge patriotic demonstrations. Bersons who have seen His Majesty, say he is locking serd and careworn, and that his well known kindness of heart causes him to feel acutely the loss of his men.

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A dispatch from Harbin, dated February 20th, says that the railway is in working order, and that the Japanese who attempted to blow up the bridge over the Sungari river have been langest. Bands of bandits have been observed under Japanese leadership, and are being pursued. Alsoest all the civilian inhabitants of Harbin have left, and the remainder of the population is quiet. The movement of troops is causing heavy traffic on the railway. All the Japanese laborers on the railroad have fled and the Chinese laborers returned to work after their New Year celebrations.

In Port Arthur.

Ylu Kow, Feb. 20.-By means of a special permission obtained from Major-General Pilug, Viceroy Alexiel's chief of staffq, a newspaper correspondent suc-ceeded in passing the lines under official easont, and visited Port Arthur, which is closed to all civilians. The correspondclosed to all civilians. The correspond-ont gives the following account of condi-

"Only 30 per cent. of the population remains at Port Arthur, and many of these are lonving. The trains are still crowded with refugees. Railroad conditions are still crowded with refugees. Railroad conditions are still crowded with refugees.

tions are excellent and trains are running on schedule time. The peninsula of Liago Tung is quiet, Adequate guards are maintained at all culverts and bridges and preparations for defence are being continued. The troops in the viewinty of Kin Chow are active. A strong force is guarding the narrowest section of the peninsula.

The authorities have mitigatedewar conditions at Port Arthur by fixing the prices of foodscuffs. The prices of other commodities, however, have advanced. The authorities have taken possession of all food supplies in the stores which were deserted by Chinese and other merchants. They are providing for a siege by sending wheat milling muchinery to Port Arthur, and claim that there is a sufficient food supply there for resistance for two years.

"Japanese refugees, under the personal supervision of the viceroy and General Plancon, are leaving Port Arthur on released ships.

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"While Major-General Pflung is advancing the troops from Mukden to the Yalu, he will at the same time be strengthening his centre and preparing to defend the railroad and the north guff coast in force. The military authorities are thoroughly aware of the unpreparedness to rush reinforcements.

"An enormous consignment of artillery is reported to be en route from Russia, and it is said without hesitation that there were not over 275,000 troops in Manchuria and at Vladivostock when the war began.

an. administration authorities of Port Arthur assert that the Japanese have landed in Korea only."

Movement of Scouts.

Tokio, Feb. 20.—Three hundred Russian scouts reconnoitred resterday in Wiju and vicinity. They crossed the Yalu river, entered the town and scouted throughout the surrounding country. They then recrossed the river and joined (but main force). their main force.

Advices to the Japanese government from Pekin say that, while at Mukder Viceroy Alexieff asked the Chines troops to aid in the guarding of the rai



correct unless in that number are includ-ed the transports and torpedo boats.

Paris, Feb. 20.—Exchange of communications of a friendly character have occurred between France and Japan with respect to the stay of the Russian squadron at Jibutil, French Somaliland, France did not hesitate to make a complete explanation of her reasons for not ordering the Russian ships to depart, and it is said in reliable quarters this explanation was thoroughly satisfactory to the Japanese government. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Figaro cables that the Russian squadron at Jibutil, French Somaliland, on the Guff of Aden, has been ordered to Cronstadt. The Russian squadron at Jibutil consists, as far as is known, of the battleship Oslabya, the cruiser Aurora, the cruiser Dmitri Donskoi and a number of torpedo boat destroyers. It was reported from St. Petersburg February 15th, that this squadron had been instructed to remain at Jibutil until further orders. It has been suggested that the stopping of three warships at Jibutil has lead to international representations, Jibutil being a neutral French port.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

Leaders of Insurrection Watching Re-sults of Reforms—Turkey and Bulgaria.

Paris, Feb. 20 .- Almost with-Paris, Feb. 20.—Almost with as close attention as they are giving the Russian-Japanese war the French authorities are watching events in the Balkans. From Bulgaria assurances have been received that she does not propose to take measures to precipitate war, and most of the leaders of the recent justuaries to see what their reforms will accomplish before renewing the rebellion in Macedonia. Moreover, it is not believed here that the Macedonian committee has as much money as heretofore with which to earry on a conflict.

Nevertheless, it is understood that Russia's preoccupation in the Far East

days.

The officials' reports commend Capt.
Essen, of the Novik, and Capt. Bersian, of the cruiser Bayan, for gallant conduct on February 9th, and indicate that in fact that no Japanese losses were reported, the Russians did some damage."

"Captain Stepanoff, who was in command of the torpedo transport Yenesei, which was reported to lave blown up from accidental contact with a mine, is declared to have died an heroic death in trying to save his crew.

"The elty is darkened every night, but Viceroy Alexieff's house is lighted, although the people understand that he is at Harbin.

"General Valkoff is in command of the

powers because they prevent the opera-

Experts here say that if ever the op-portunity existed for the Porte once for all to end the Macedonian trouble by striking Bulgaria, which encourages it, it is now, Despite the firm representa-tions of Russia, she undoubtedly is unwilling to engage in a war in Et willing to engage in a war in Europe while engaged with Japan in the Far East, and Turkey is expected to adopt a firmer tone in dealing with the Macedonian question. The powers, it is announced, are still working harmoniously together and they are all making representations to Turkey and Bulgaria of the folly of going to war. Certainly neither will profit thereby.

For Salonica.

Salonica, Mecedonia, Feb. 20,-A battalion of troops from Sorovitch, and another from Monastir, have left for

CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER. Returned by Grand Jury Against Part Owner, Manager and Carpenter of Iroqueis Theatre.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—The special grand jury summoned to investigate the Iroquols theatre fire and the charges made against persons directly connected with the tragedy of December 30th, completed its labors to-night by yoring indictments against five men and no-bills against four others. The formal report of the jury with not be made public until next Tuesday.

Davis, part owner, business manager atre; Thomas Noonen, business manager of the theatre, and James E. Cummins, stage earpenter, all of whom are charged with manslaughter; George charged with manslaughter; George charged with manslaughter; George mences With "The Belle of New York.

Paris, Fob. 20.—An explosion occurred to-day in a factory in the Rue de Antone. The explosion occurred in a room on the fourth story and drove bricks and plees of glass against a house on the other side of the street and immediately afterwards enormous jets of flame burst out of the windows. Soon the entire structure was on fire. Simultaneously with the appearance of the flames a number of men and women employed on the opper stories, and who had been eating their luncheou, appeared at the windows and shrieked for assistance. Three men attempted to drop from a window dows and shricked for assistance. Three men attempted to drop from a window to a balcony beneath, but missed it and fell to the pavement below, and were killed. The firemen brescued several persons. When the flames were under control five victims were found in a corridor leading to the street. They had been asphyxiated and then incinerated. In all fourteen bodies, all unidentified, were conveyed to the morgue. Five persons were badly burned, two may die.





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places, but without success.

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Winnipeg, Feb. 20.—The flour plant of Ogilvie's. Milling Company is studing filte, as a result of the fuel scarcily, caused by the snow blockade along the railways. The flour mill, employing about 150 men, has not been able to turn a wheel since Thursday morning, and the oat mill is running on half time, the power being centributed from some slight wood fuel.

Travellers who left Gainsboro on the Souris branch of the Canadian Pacific railway for Winnipeg, only reached here yestesday on the road. The delay was caused by the snow blockade which has interrupted railway traffic generally during the same caused by the snow blockade which has Winnipeg, Feb. 20 .- The flour plant of

nterrupted railway traffic generally due ing the past week.

Water Supply Frozen.

Glace Bay, N. S., Feb. 20.—The Dominion No. 2, the largest of the collieries operated by the Dominion Coal Company, has closed down for want of water, throwing about 1.500 men out of employment. The big dam above the colliery is frozen solid to the bottom.

CANADIAN STOCK BREEDERS. Subjects to Be Discussed at the First Annual Meeting at Ottawa,

The following subjects will be dis-cussed at the first annual meting of the National Association of Canadian Stock Sreeders, which will be held at the city all. Ottawa, March 5th to 12th inclu-

and scope?
2. Should the Canadian government
be asked to take steps to regulate the
further importation of horses, cattle,
sheep and swine into Canada, (1) grades
and stockers; (2) pure breds?

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3. The possibilities and development of a live stock trade with the West Indies, Mexico, South American Republies and Newfoundland. Introduced by E. B. Elderkin, Amberst, N. S.

4. What relations should exist between racing associations and the National association? Introduced by H. J. P. Good, editor of The Sunday World, Torscato.

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gagements of six nights and a matinee on Saturday.

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The New Organization.

Interviewed at Scattle a few days ago, J. P. Howe, a strong advocate of the Pacific Coast Theatrical Managers' As-sociation, said: "The great difficulty for the present is the fear of so many manthe present is the fear of so many managers of theatres in good towns like Victoria and Vancouver, of the syndicate. Why, if the owners of the Victoria, Vancouver, Everett and Whatcom theatres would organize, they would, and could, control the whole situation in the Northwest and be entirely free to hash wited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter, free. All correspondence is held so strictly private and sacredly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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B. W. Greer, general freight agent of the C. P. R., left Friday for Revelstoke to meet a committee of merchants of the interior town and discuss the matter of freight rates. At Revelstoke he will meet F. W. Petters, freight traffic manager on Western lines, who will come through to the coast with him.

At an enthusiastic meeting of Veterans of the various Canadian regiments that

At an enthusiastic meeting of Veterans of the various Canadian regiments that served through the South African campaign, held Saturday night, it was decided to organize an association to be known as "The South African Campaign Association." After the association had been formally organized the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. People formally organized the following omeers were elected for the ensuing year: President, O. Wilkie, New Westminster; vice-president, A. Hooth, Vancouver; secretary-treasurer, J. H. Livingston, Vancouver. It was decided to hold a reunion on March 4th, and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

monia. She leaves one son, Mr. A. G. MacFariane, of this city.

Mrs. Anne Robertson, the wife of Duncan Robertson of Westham island, passed away on Saturday at the Royal Columbia hospital. The deceased lady was taken a week or so ago with a stroke of paralysis, but lately she seemed to be improving, till Saturday morning when the end came rather suddenly. Mrs. Robertson, was 77 years of age and accompanied her husband to this country somey ears ago from Glengarry, Ontario.

wertminster in company with her some monds. She leaves one som, Mr. of MarcFarines, of this city, and the control of the city of MarcFarines, of this city, and the control of MarcFarines, of the city, and the control of MarcFarines, and the control of MarcFarines,

J. H. St. Laurent, one of the best known men in Carlboo, died at his home, Quesnel, on February 14th. The deceased was a native of the province of Quebec, and came to the Fraser river in 1858 from California. He mined in Carlboo and later had a store in Barker-ville. He also mined on the Skeena river. For 24 years he was supergraendent of roads in the northern part of the district. He was about 67 years of age. His widow and daughters, Mrs. S. L. Hilborn, Mrs. D. H. Anderson, and son Carl survive him.

### **POSITION WEAK** IN THE FAR EAST

RUSSIA UNABLE TO SUSTAIN HER TROOPS

That is Opinion of Oriental Exchanges -Slavs' Cruelties at Vladivostock -Pirates on the Move.

A Japan exchange arriving on the Athenian this morning, in cor on the situation, points out that Russia's work within the Presbytery to be progressing in its various branches. Contributions to the work of the church show a decided increase. The resignation of Rev. J. C. Stewart was placed in the hands of the Presbytery, which was accepted. The resignation of Rev. W. C. Calder, of Revelstoke, was also placed in the hands of the Presbytery and was laid over until a special meeting on March Sth.

Alex. P. Duyont, head jaller of the March Sth.

Alex. P. Duront, head jailer of the Kamloops provincial jail, passed away at Lis residence on Seymour street on Saturday, after an illness of seven weeks. ships in a harbor that lacks, docking facilities, and procrastination is therfore, than beneficial if Russia means to push her claims to the bitter end. In the circumstances, the paper assumes that the Russian cabinet is divided and incapable

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Kamloops, and is understood to have contained instructions for the disposition of Maclean's affairs. An inquest was held, the jury returning a verdict of snicide.

The regular haif yearly meeting of the Presbytery of Kamloops was held in St. Andrew's church on Wednesday and Thursday. Reports of the various committees were received which showed the

ultimately run ashore, where it was com-pletely destroyed. The first and second class passengers and erew were all saved but the casualties to the steerage are not yet ascertained. Two mail bags were saved.

REORGANIZING BRANCH.

Vancouver Sends a Full Complement of Delegates to the Mining Conven-tion To-Day.

The Vancouver branch of the Provin cial Mining Association has been reor ganized, as mentioned in Saturday's Times, with the following officers: C. F. Jackson, president; H. T. Lockyer, vice-president, and T. J. Smith, secretary-

president, and T. J. Smith, secretary-treasurer.

At a meethig beld at Vancouver on Friday night F. E. Woodside, called upon to explain the condition, said that at the last meeting there were 229 members in good standing, when the organization was simply closed out. Sufficient funds had been raised to meet liabilities, but there were no funds at present, neither were there any officers.

At the request of H. T. Lockyer, who wished to know just how matters stood, the chairman asked Mr. Smith, the secretary, to explain the situation. Mr. Smith stated what duties had been fixed, at the convention held last year in Victoria, and how, one-half of the amount was to go to the central executive to

toria, and how one-half of the amount was to go to the central executive meet expenses, while the other half we for the requirements of the local asciation. It transpired that the stocllected throughout the province we not sufficient to meet the deficit, and an assessment was made, which we apportioned to the various association according to their membership. Vaccouver was asked to raise \$758\$, in dition to what was required under the by-laws. At the last meeting the association was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was asked to raise \$50 short of the country was asked to see the control of the country was asked to see the country was asked to raise \$50 short of the country was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was asked to see the country was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was asked and those present at that time. It was \$40 and \$50 short of the country was \$40 and \$40 and \$40 short of the country was \$40 and Russian cabinet is divided and incapable of giving a definite decision upon a vital question. Russia is, therefore, at the mercy of Japan, and Japan has nothing whatever to fear as to the probable that the \$788 could not be raised, and as there had been something in the circular that the term of office ended by December 31st, the officers resigned.

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bonor of membership on the police board. that the government did not know wha: to do to mollify those it was compelled to inform that their ambitions could not of reparable injury? be gratified. The genderman who was appointed from the ranks of the govern-position upon the sea. She is a great

couver do not yet comprehend the possi- is considering some means of overc hands of the people ever since the city had an existence. Now the government which has given such signal evidence of its espacity for government has decided that it must come in and help the people of the Terminal City out. In order that he new commissioners may be under no. misapprehensions as to their status under the law or their duties to the citithat great statesman and legal authority, Mr. Bowser, under whose auspices the change in the Vancouver charter was made, has explained to them with the by-laws of the city. It is their business, says this impeccable authority, to regulate the police. After emiteminept legal authority aforesaid went out, and refused to cast a single ray upon the dark mystery of what the polic are maintained for the purpose of re-

Now in Victoria police commis-

the past have undertaken to regulate

institutions that are admittedly in need of regulation. They have even been acensed of being in league with certain undesirable elements and of exercising their prerogative of hinding and lossing with greater advantage to themselves personally than to the city they were supposed to serve. Putting aside alterations with the completion of the naval work personally than to the city they were supposed to serve. Putting aside alterations of the supposed to serve. Putting aside alterations with the question of civic government, it appears to us that if the beneficiaries of the wide, liberal views of "men of the world" can afford to pay liberally for the privileges accorded them in violation of laws someone must be fleeced to pay the piper. In fact there must be a regular system of shearing. Even from the world if cambor profit a city to maintain industries of that character. Those who foil at night and perhaps spin their webs in all parts of Canada as a per-evid tang many properties of the world in cambor profit a city to maintain advantage to any city. Business could be carried on with just as great advantage of any city. Business could be carried on with just as great advantage to any city. Business could be carried on with just as great advantage to a server all compelle: to move on to a still more distant post on the presentatives, which has dutles more pearly nearly let to our Commons must do the work done in Canada by the Provincial Legislatures. Which has great and stage if they were all compelle: to move on to a still more distant post on the presentatives, which has dutles more pearly nearly let to our Commons runs in the continuation of the presentatives, which has dutles more pearly nearly let four Commons runs in the continuation of the personal of the personal of the personal of the presentatives, which has dutles more pearly nearly our Commons runs in the continuation of the personal of the ensed of being in league with certain undesirable elements and of exercising on to a still more distant post on the frontiers of civilization. Therefore we have any option in the matter of enforce ing the laws of the country or the by-

### ABOUT THE WEATHER.

laws of the city.

If after such a snorting month as February has been, March has the face to come in like a lion, then the resources est mine in British Columbia. Thus far when it has not been raining it has been mixed with a trifle of snow just to rein a northern zone. And yet the golfer gree the efficiency of the Legislature of go his favorite pastime, and the wild some measure of relief to the taxpayer ducks and goese have been regularly re- and might prevent to some extent -th ian who thirsts for the blood of everyrowed down to a choice between curling the whole we are satisfied that our East- lowing the example of the Ontario gov ern brethren who are strong enough and ture that would delight the heart of a ty being consulted by Mr. McBride, Th will keep goal for the champions when the larger cities are satisfied that it is an the largers season opens on the 24th improvement upon the old act. In Lonof May. On the whole the Eastern win- don, Hamilton and Toronto it works out

colds but with the temperature regulated s precisely as though the hand on the throttle were striving to prepare a place meet for a human being.

THE NAVAL PROGRAMME.

There is an element of distinct prob triguing with Turkey for permission to take her Black Son fleet through the Straits of the Dardanelles. The advisers of the Czar have always been willing to Turks for the ostensible purpose of proecting Christians in the doubtful pri ipalities and for the real purpose of addng to the possessions of their nomit master. But there is nothing improb able in the statement-we publish that the defenders of the faithful ar willing to deliver their flock over to the wolf for a consideration. It is doubt-ful, however, whether the Black Sea fleet combination with the Baltie fleet could he got to the scene of naval action i sians. Japan's supremacy in eastern waters is now beyond question. That she will not be able to follow up her advantage and complete the destruction the remainder of the enemy's vessels be fore reinforcements can be brought from sible of belief. The courage, daring and skill thus far displayed by the Japane on the water have not been exhausted in the first round of the fight. The victori ous islanders will not rest until they have driven to the last extremity the advan tages they have gained. The Russian fleets bottled up in Port Arthur and things differently in Van- Vladivostock destroyed or captured conver. In Victoria there was such would the Japanese not be capable of vigorous competition for the mere empty going after and easily subduing an enemy coming from a long journey and with none of the advantages of coaling sta tions or of safe retreats to fly to in case

mene's followers in Vancouver las 20 power with a reputation to maintain, and fused to sit, and his place has been filled to confess her inability to deal with the Mr. Buscombe.

Apparently the politicians of Vanher would be too humiliating. That she bilities of the new system. The man the disadvantages she labors under and agement of the police had been in the of turning the tables on her enemy may of turning the tables on her enemy may be admitted. But it she desires to com out of this trouble with even the nucleus of a navy, it would be the part of wisdom for her to leave the Black Sen fleet in its present safe quarters and to manoeuvre the Baitic squadron in close proximity to European waters. The Asiatic fleet of the Czar, with all the adventages on its side, has been practically put out of business. The remaining divisions could not afford to give the Japs odds even if they succeeded in reaching the scene in their best fighting

> Moreover, it is hinted that the Black Sea squadron of which so much has been written is not modelled after the very highest form of modern fighting fleets It is said to have been constructed very much after the same manner as the trans-Siberian railway-with great profit to the contractors. If it were sent forth against an enemy the fact that there is a discrepancy between paper strength and fighting capacity might be demon-strated in a manner which would but add to the nation's humiliation. For many reasons, therefore, it is assumed that

tage if they were all compelle! to move Representatives, which has duties more nearly parallel to our Commons, runs its unit of representation up in the neighborhood of 200,000, or ten times the Victoria will not heed the advice of Canadian figure. It would be interesting to read Mr. Robinson's opinion of the thought to enter their minds that they British Columbia Legislature with its worse than empty money box and fortytwo members' hands groping around it after sessional indemnities. We should estimate that British Columbia has about one legislator for every thousand active workers in the ranks of those who toi to make up their salaries, exclusive of one Bowser, who represents the mut tude in the one great commercial centre in representation at the time of the er Sometimes the rain has been largement. It still thinks the representa tion could be cut down at least one-half mind us of the fact that we are living without impairing in the slightest dehas been able to enjoy his golfing, the inflicting injustice upon any section of footballer has not been compelled to fore- the province. Such a course would bring minded that there is a creature called everlasting pottering with old laws and the unnecessary additions to statutes. thing with feathers. Our winter sports The McBride government now realises in this part of the world are not nar- that it made a mistake in its Assessment on the ice and hockey on the ice. On advise it after the event instead of folfull blooded enough to dely a tempera- forms on the advice of the same authorienjoy themselves in Toronto News, a paper hostile to the the others whose sole amusement is confixed to speculation as to the personnel assessors of the province when it is of the 1994 baseball team or as to who studied. Already the Commissioners in

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finds that business men and manufac-turers generally will escape with lighter akation, while doctors, dentists, distillers and brewers will have to pay more. On the whole, he approves of the act, and, judging from the conclusions he reaches, it should not be unacceptable even to those who must bear some increased taxation. If the McBride government should have the courage to cut down the representation in the House by half at the ame time as it confesses it made a seri ous mistake in its Assessment Act, it might stand a chance of establishing it self in British Columbia.

David Boyle, of Toronto, well know in all parts of Canada as a perfervid ot and a profound authority on arch acology, writing to the editor of the ock, Ayrshire, Standard, closing the verses read at the opening of the South Park school, Victoria, says-Sir,-You much-to-be-pitied Scots whide at hame are apt to regard us pool

Colonists as mere castaways—human wrecks. To change the figure we are

never saw Scotland, but is as proud of her ancestry as if she came straight from Lochiel, and a perusal of the baragraph, should you print it, will suffice to shew readers of the Kilmarnock Standard that the language of Dunbar, and Dougles, and Barbour, and Adam Smith, and Burns may be heard with some pretention to purity on the Pacific coast, two thousand five hundred miles from this place (yet in our Dominion), and, I would suppose, nearly three times as far from Kilmarnock. Yours, etc..

DAVID BOYLE.

Toronto, Jan. 11th, 1904.

CHOKING OFF A SPEECH.

The following story is told of the ate Sir Richard Temple: Once Lord Randolph Churchill wished; a debate to come to a speedy end. A whip brought the bad news that Sir Richard Temple had a long-speech in his pocket, and felt he simply must speak it. All remonstrance was in vain. The Empire's interests demanded that the speech should be made. The whip failing, Lord Randolph tried the bludgeon. Turning in his seat just when the obstinate orator was preparing to rise and catch the Speaker's eye, Lord Randolph said with savage emphasis and in a tone that could be heard distinctly by the offender and those who sat near: 'What's the good of my trying to lead this House if every d—d fool on my own side thinks he ought to make a speech?' And the speech was never spoken. CHOKING OFF A SPEECH. never spoken.

THE TURTLE CLASSIFIED.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

The decision of our tariff experts that frogs are poultry reminds one of that experience of Buckland, the English naturalist, with a railway ticket seller. Having been forced to pay for his monkey as a dog Buckland drew a turtle from his pocket and asked if he must pay on that, too. "No." replied the ticket seller, after gravely inspecting the turtle, "that's a hinseck." Pittsburg Dispatch.

IT IS JUPITER'S FAULT.

Hamilton Herald, ter has become a serious "proposition." so as to produce about the same amount of revenue as the existing act, while the is the contrast with the bright, sunny method of making the assessment is days of summer, neither too hot nor too, simpler and more exact. Mr. Grant, the

George Cessins in Loquou aprenau-She stands, with dusky head down-bent, And gloomy eyes that spell despair, She who is old -ret young of face— She to whom fell the dark disgrace, Cain's evil brood to bear!

She dreams of Nations long since dead, Of millions killed by fire and flood, And, though her parted lips are sweet, Beneath her sieuder, tired feet, Run rivulets of blood!

Misfortune met her at her birth: Her children bore the brand of Cain, Her lands the home of sayage brutes, Of songless birds—of bitter fruits— Of slavery and pain!

Her wealth has tempted many men; But for herself not one hath sighed; And lower bows the dusky head. From sombre eyes sait tears are shed. Of bitter wounded pride!

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Rooshy is bounded on the north by ice, on the west by the concert of Europe, and on the south by Mr. Kipling. Thus the slogan of Rooshy is "Eastward, or bust".

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Rooshy is deliberate, showing that time is about as easy to take as anything, once

is about as easy to take as anything, once

is about as easy to take as anything, once one gets into the taking way.

The Car' of Roosby is the only monarch who is thosoughly in Mr. Stead's confidence. He is called the Great White Czar, but some say he is not at white as he is painted.

Rooshy is populated by Pan Slavs and Jews. The Jews come bandy when the Pan Slavs get to taking themselves too sertonsiy.

Rooshy makes a very durable article of

HIS FATHER'S SENIOR. Ottawa Free Press.

Ottawa Free Press.

"My right honorable friend the member for West Birmingham," was the highly fligurative expression used by Austen Chamberlain, when he referred to his illustrious father in his speech at the opening of parliament. It was a reminder of the famous reference made by Mr. Wallace, a barrisknown editor of the Scotsman, and one of the humorists of the House of Commons, when the father, recently admitted to the bar, appeared with him in a case that was being tried before the High court of jus-tice. "My learned junior," observed the son, turning to his venerable father, "will now read the pleadings."

BIG GAME IN GERMANY. New York Tribune

William Nelson Cromwell, the representa tive of the French Panama can'il commission, recently called on President Roosevett
in Washington. Mr. Cromwell is something
of a sportsman, and during the interview
he told the President a sporting anecdote.
"Some years ago," he said, "I spent a
week in Germany shooting small game. To
a German acquaintance one morning I
happened to remark that I preferred to
shoot in Africa because there was a spice
of danger in the sport-there.
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Window glass, especially single-stream the account of the tubes and the stream of the tube and the forest and the forest and the forest and the stream of the tube and the forest an

straight or curved lines by first making If You Know How, it Can Be Done
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examined the difference was approxi mately the thousandth part of a second; but if the impulse had to travel the length of the body it would have been about the two hundredth and fiftieth part or the three hundredth part of a second.

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-The Sons of St. George will meet to-morrow evening. The grand president of the Pacific Coast jurisdiction, J. H. Cocking, of Nanaimo, will be in attendance. In addition to the usual business of the lodge a hot supper will be served.

-Work preparatory to the building of the new pulp mill by Victorians at Quat-sino will not be commenced until some time next month. Surveyors were sent down the coast in January. They found the snow so deep that they could not do anything, and accordingly returned to await for finer weather conditions.

in matrimony at his residence, Kane street, Mr. Chas. F. Chitty, of Hinton & Co., and Miss Grace Dorothy Greenwood, daughter of Mrs. Kingsley. The wedding was a quite one. Mr. and Mrs. Chitty left for the Sound on their wedding tour, and on their return will make their home

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The marriage of Staff Paymaster R. Chitton-Baker, R. N., now serving as secretary to the admiral on the coast of Ireland, and Miss Kathleen Elli Locke Ireland, and Miss Kathleen Elli Locke Paddon, eldest daughter of Rev. Canon Locke Paddon, of this city, will take place at Stillorgan, County Dublin, early in April. It will be remembered that Paymaster Clutton-Baker lately relin-quished the duties as secretary to Rear-Admiral Bickford on this station. He now holds a similar appointment with ddon, eldest daughter of Rev. Canon can elder at Stillorgan, County Dublin, early April. It will be remembered that ymaster Clutton-Baker lately relimished the duties as secretary to Rearmiral Bickford on this station. He would be a similar appointment with a admiral in command of the Irish admiral in command of the Irish admiral in command of the Irish that portion of the city and to some extent in the North ward. If the application for \$30,000 is allowed a new school will be built in the Victoria West district. Of course the board has yet to decide whether the committee's recommendations will be adopted.

Eighty-four Chinese are to be deported to China by the C. P. R. steamship Empress of China, which is scheduled to depart for the Orient to-night. They took passage from China to points in the United States on the agreement that if they could not induce the United States immigration authorities to permit them to enter that country, they would return whence they came without protest. It is on such an understanding that all Celestials are now booked in the Orient. The batch of Chinese now en route home have been in the East for some months.

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The following paragraph from the New York Times will be read with interest by the friends of Geo. Denny, of this city: "Early on the afternoon of the day of the fight, a dispatch of 1,200 words, containing the story of the sea fight at Port Arthur from the lips of eye-witnesses on board the Indo-China steamship Columbia, began to come into the New York office of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. It was printed in full in late editions of the evening papers of this city, and elsewhere in the country. The reports of the London morning papers were allowed upon the province for the well known and much tast year proxies were allowed upon the principle that the committee should be as broad as a spond as a broad as a spond as a broad as a spond of the sate of the fact that proxies could be useful only upon a poll being demanded. There was therefore in the corner of Broughton and Wharf streets of the interest of the sate of the corner of Broughton and Wharf streets of the interest of the sate of the corner of Broughton and Wharf streets of the i York office of the Associated Fress. It was sent by Géo. Denny, the Chefoo correspondent of the Associated Press. The dispatch was printed in full in late editions of the evening papers of this city and elsewhere in the country. The reports of the London morning papers were brief and almost destitute of details."

—Minhui Cho, who for the past three years has been Korean minister to Washington, will be a passenger outbound on the Empress of China. He will represent Korea at Tokio. With him are his attaches, Chong Moo Hong and Chiyu Hau, and his secretary, Sunisu Ye. "Korea, as you know, is preserving a strict neutrality." His Excellency said at Vancouver, "and is not concerned in the outcome of the war. I think Japan may have the better army and navy, and though not so large is better disciplined and capable of better work than the soldiers of the Czar. How the war will end is difficult to state." Minchul Cho is to be succeeded at Washington by Yun Kuhn, who has not yet arrived. In the meantime the interests of Korea at the capitlal of the United States are being looked after by a substitute. —Minhui Cho, who for the past three years has been Korean minister to Washington, will be a passenger outbound on the Empress of China. He will represent Korea at Tokio. With him are his attaches, Chong Moo Hong and Chiyn Hau, and his secretary, Sunisu Ye.

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PROVINCIAL MINING ASSOCIATION MEETS

Two good offices to let, MacGregor Block. FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE AGENTS. A Number of Delegates Delayed on Way Will Arrive To-night- Preliminary MONEY TO LOAN. Business Transacted.

The Provincial Mining Association pened its second annual convention in the city hall this morning. All the dele--Wood and Coal.-R. Daverne, 34 gates have not yet arrived, a good nun ber being expected over from the Main-—Banner lodge, A. O. U. W., meets to-night; Western Star lodge will pay a social visit. land this evening. There were over or hundred present at the opening, and while

hundred present at the opening, and walls little business was transacted the convention promises to uphold the proud distinction won by the meeting of the association last year.

It is presided over by John Keen, of Kaslo, who is acknowledged to be unsurpassed as a chairman. The gavel, consisting of four-pound miner's hammer, presented last year by the Nicola and Aspen Grove delegates, is again doing service.

This morning Mayor Barnard was present and welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city. The reception committee of the board

behalf of the city.

The reception committee of the board of trade were also represented by Col. Prior, the chairman, Secretary Elworthy and T. R. Smith.

Herhert Cuthbert, of the Tourist As-

sociation, was also present extending a welcome on behalf of that organization. Mayor Barnard, in extending a hearty welcome to the city, said that Victoria was proud of the fact that the association was organized here. He reminded the delegates that on Vancouver Island there liad been unite as much develop-There will be no marine school meeting to-morrow evening, owing to the absence from the city of the local agent of marine and fisheries, who is in Vancouver to-day on departmental business.

The Victoria District Farmers' Institute will hold a basket social and dance in the Agriculturel hall, Saanichton, on Tuesday evening, March 1st. A special train will leave the Victoria Terminal railway station at 7.15 o'clock. A special meeting will be held in Temperance hall, Cedar hill, on Wednesday, March 2nd, at 8 p.m., to receive and discuss the report of the committee responsibility. There will be no marine school meeting to-morrow evening, owing to the absence from the city of the local agent of marine and fisheries, who is in Vancouver to-day on departmental business. there had been quite as much develor

cuss the report of the committee reappointed which should begin work at once. This committee could meet again once. This committee could meet again this evening after the boat arrived to complete its work, so that the convention could get in shape for business the following day.

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A. C. Galt moved that the president appoint the credential committee.

The following committee was then named by the president; H. E. Croas-daile, Nelson; Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley, Islands; Roland Machin, Vic-toria; H. T. Lockyer, Vancouver, and Mr. Brown, of Revelstoke.

Mr. Collis, Nicola, asked for a ruling as to proxies.

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President Keen said that this was a rresident Keen said that this was a matter to be decided by the credential committee and afterwards by the convention. He believed that the committee would proceed on a broad gauge basis, and would seat every man who had any At a meeting of the committee ap-pointed by the school board to look into the matter of the expenditure of \$10,000 appropriated for the purpose of increas-

right to be seated. A. E. Howse moved that no proxies be allowed. He did this in order to open the

question.

D. W. Higgins thought that the constitution provided for proxies.

President Keen said the executive decided that it was a matter for the committee to decide. He did not know that there was anything in the constitution relating to this.

"The Woodland Blossom" and "Hothouse Flower," will be sung by Miss Lena Harvey. The moving pictures will include the champion lacrosse match between Vancouver and Westminster, besides other interesting views. The show throughout will be found very pleasing in its entirety. relied upon in any measure calculated to promote the best interests of the min'ng in-dustry throughout the province. Yours faithfully, F. ELWORTHY.

F. Elworthy, Secretary Victoria Board of Trade, Victoria:

Dear Sir:-In the absence of the Hon. the Minister of Customs, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th ult, urging that oils for use in the Elmore process of concentrating ores be admitted free of

of concentrating over be admitted duty.

I shall place the same before the minister immediately upon his return to the city, but meanwhile permit me to say to you that I know the matter referred to has been engaging the attention of the minister Yours truly, JOHN BAIN,

Assistant Commissioner.

Assistant Commissioner.

Mr. Galt suggested that those having matters to bring up or resolutions to prepare to office for the week ending February 9th, 1904; During this week 504 patents were issued, 529 being to efficiency of the United States, Argentina 1, Austria-Hungary 2, Belgum 1, Canada 7, Great Britain 19, France 4, Germany 20, India 1, Italy 1, New South Wales 1, New Zealand 4, Queensland 1, Switzerland 1 and Victoria, Australia, 2. The following patents were received recently by British Columbia inventors: R. B. Anderson, of Duncaus, B. C., Canadian patent on an acetylene gas generator; J. C. Bonneau, et Vancouver, French and British patents on his atreeouppe matrix frame; W. J. Cummings et al, of Port Moody, British patent on this streeouppe matrix frame; W. J. Cummings, et al, of Port Moody, British patent on this streeouppe matrix frame; W. J. Cummings, et al, of Port Moody, British patent on this streeouppe matrix frame; W. J. Cummings, et al, of Port Moody, British patent on this streeouppe matrix frame; W. J. Cummings, et al, of Port Moody, British patent on an an acetylope matrix frame; W. J. Cummings, et al, of Port Moody, British patent on their wrecking derice; V. D. Shibey, of Port Hammond, and R. Dowswell, of Vancouver, British patent on an improved snap hook; H. Cockyer would without the mater on a stove pipe ventilator; G. A. Spoint a resolution committee would hon, a papent and aday or two.

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President Keen pointed out that the convention was not properly constituted until the credential committee reported. It might be possible to appoint a committee which would be subject to consiste which would be subject to con-

erly constituted.

Geo. Sheldon-Williams, of Vancouver, and T. J. Smith, of Vancouver, moved accordingly that a resolution committee be appointed subject to raffication by the convention, and that the convention meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The motion was chried-by a vote of 23 to 22.

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Before the motion was deciared carfied Mr. Higgins said that he thought those who yoted for the motion did not fully consider the matter.

Mr. Hobson thought that it was most unfair to the up country members who were delayed because of the weather. These men were snow bound. It was no fault of theirs that they were not in attendance. These men were entitled to yote as to the constitution of the resolution committee.

Williams thereupon withdrew his u, the convention agreeing to it. convention then adjourned until 10

The convention then anjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

This evening a smoker is to be given in the city hall to the delegates. The local branch of the Provincial Mining Association have the arrangements in hand and are being assisted by the mayor and council, the board of trade and the Tourist Association. Some short speeches will be delivered and songs will be interspersed during the evening. All the subscribers to the fund in Victoria are expected to be present at the smoker and assist in entertaining the visitors. A cordiar invitation is extended to all citizens. This afternoon the visiting delegates are being taken to Esquimalt, where they will visit the Flora in drydock.

will visit the Flora in drydock. The credential committee went to work immediately upon the convention rising this morning. It will sit again this evening after the steamer comes from Vancouver, A question arose as to the standing of delegates representing branches which had not raid their dues to the central association. This applied particularly to the Vancouver delegates. The contention is made by these branches that their year does not expire until May lat, which was the date of organization. It was decided to recommend these delegates for seats in the convention. It is fikely that the association will take is fikely that the association will take steps to overcome such a difficulty by making a uniform year, ending Decem-ber 31st.

steamer are requested to attend the smoker this evening. The credential committee will be present and will meet and decide upon the credentials present

ments.

Among the delegates in the city are the following: N. C. Croasdaile, J. G. Nelson, N. B. Poole, T. S. Proctor, L. K. Larsen, G. W. McBridge and Leglie Hill. of Nelson; Capt. Clive Phillipps-Wolley, Salt Spring Island; H. J. Lockyer, C. J. Juckson, T. J. Smith, J. Findley, R. P. McLennau, A. B. Clayton and G. S. Williams, of Vancouver; W. M. Brown, of Revelstoke; D. R. Thomas, T. H. Reed, P. James, Mr. Percell, A. C. Gait, D. Thomas, C. Martin, G. Tippet, B. Duke, A. McMillan and A. Pendray, of Rossland; J. W. Collis, of Lower Nicola; W. Adams, of Soda Creek; J. B. Hobbs and W. H. Wiesler, of Bullion; J. D. Peebles and M. Bailey, of Stanley; Mr. Libman, Mr. Knight and Mr. Perkins, of Asheroft; J. JFountain, J. H. Brownlee, J. Lipscombe and Chas. Jones, of Atlin; G. Hamilton, of Beaver Lake; Jus. Moore, of Black Beaf Creek; A. E. Howse, of Nicola; N. Binns and D. W. Moore, of Trail; Thos. Barton, of Clinton; J. E. Bate, of Aspen Grove; B. A. Lassille, of Barkerville; J. C. Hoffmeister, A. M. Jones, Wm. Bissett, of Bullion; and W. W. Bissett and John McRae; of Quesnelle Forks.

"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."

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U. W. Hall Last Night. R. H. Kneeshaw spoke in the A. O. U W. hall last evening on "The Kingdom everything that has life unfolds that life under the direction of law, and that this unfolding comes by intelligence and unfolding comes by intelligence and power. Each form in which life manifests itself evolves its principle according to the law of its being. This law of being is sufficient to keep the organism in perfect and harmonious relation to all its narts, and it is only when the law is ing is sufficient to kepp the organism in perfect and harmonious relation to all its parts, and it is only when the law is transgressed that it ceases to perform its proper functions. The law which keeps every organism in harmonious relationship with all its parts; is named by scientists the Law of Nature; theologians term it the Law of God; Jesus very reverently referred to it as His "Father in Heaven," and was wont to say: "Not I, but My Father within doeth the work." Now whatever we may call this principle of being it matters but little, the principle thought being with the recogniprinciple of being it matters but little, the principle thought being with the recognition of the fact that there is throughout nature one universal spirit imminent in all things of which man in common with every living organism is a part.

During the evening Miss Alice Kneeshaw recited J. R. Sims's beautiful poem, "Billy's Rose," in a most acceptable manner, Miss Amy Kneeshaw sang able manner. Miss Amy Kneeshaw sang "Star of My Soul" in her usual finished

FIRE AT NANAIMO.

The Sawmill Narrowly Escaped Being

on Saturday afternoon about 2 o'clock, and came very near destroying the whole

# BEFORE STORMS

SHE LEFT YOKOHAMA PRIOR TO THE WAR

Victoria Shipbuilder Goes East to Construct Steamer for Hudson's Bay Company-Notes.

during the last few weeks. The steame Athenian, which arrived from China and Japan this morning, encountered two hurricanes, the like of which Capt. Robertson says he never experienced before. For 48 hours he had to travel with the wind. No vessel could have steamed against the seas and wind under the circumstance. against the seas and wind under the circumstances. The steamship was momentarily threatened with being engulfed if she continued on her voyage. She was heavily laden with general cargo. Seas broke on dock, but being a good seaworthy vessel all rolled off without doing much damage. Some of the gingerbread around the upper works was carried away, but beyond this no injury was sustained. After being buffeted about all ones day and night the weather moderated and the ship proceeded on the passage only to meet another fierce wind storm a few days later. Again the Athenian had to run before the gale, and for 36 hours the engines were almost at a 36 hours the engines were almost at a standstill. The ship reached Victoria shout 2 o'clock this morning, and after remaining a couple of hours in port wen prising to see on board some 75 Japanese passengers bound to Vancouver to reside. But the war had not yet broke out when the Athenian sailed from Yokabana. Hostilities did not begin until the 9th, and it was on the 6th that the Athenian started across the Pacific There were four saloon passengers and ten in the steerage. One of the latter was regarded by his fellow passengers as a Russian spy. He was closely watched and it was said aboard that he had something to do with important Russian affairs. He went on to Vancouver from here. prising to see on board some 75 Japan

AMUR'S PASSENGERS.

The Amur, which sailed for Skagwa on Saturday night, carries the largest complement of passengers north any vessel has had leaving here for that port in a number of months. Among them were many employees the White Pass & Yukon Railway Co., who are going north to prepare for the aviagation. kon Railway Co., who are going north to prepare for the navigation season. The list included J. Bleith, Mrs. Graf, Mr. McIver. A. W. Ward, Geo., Joyce, A. Gustfield, S. Homer, Capt. Whalen, G. Askin, J. Williams, H. W. Conavan, P. Holiday, P. Fountain, A. S. Emery, A. Esnouf, J. Calon, H. Ellis, J. Kemp, T. Hughes, G. Jones, J. Walker, G. Jones, J. Walker, S. Todd, A. J. Smith, J. H. Rogers and R. McDonald. A large number of passengers also awaited the arrivals of the steamer at Vancouver.

The R. M. S. Empress of Caina, R. Archibald, R. N. R., commander, is scheduled to sail for the Far East tonight. She will have a large number of passengers for this time of the year, and a full cargo of general merchandise. The following are among her passengers: G. Bowarth, H. M. Hardwood, C. A. Boufel, Col. Manfeld, Major N. Matchida, B. Matsuki, A. R. Dunlop, W. C. Hayes, Robert Dunn, F. Carkin, Jean Matchida, B. Matsuki, A. R. Dunlop, W. C. Hayes, Robert Dunn, F. Carkin, Jean Adams, E. Howe and wife, A. R. Parkin, H. T. James, J. H. Means, J. Ferguson, W. S. Otamo, Chong Meo Hong, Yu Hen, Min Hin Cho, Leung Yo, Ye Chi, Mr. Johnson and family, Mr. Mair and wife, E. G. Edmonston and Mr. Fuller.

GOES TO TACOMA.

After discharging 700 tons of sulphur at the Victoria Chemical Works and some three or four hundred tons of general merchandise for Yetoria and Vancouver merchants, the steamer Lyra left for Tacoma this morning, where the balance of her freight will be unloaded. This includes a large Japanese exhibit for the St. Louis conseil.

CARGO CONVEYOR EXPECTED. The electric cargo conveyor plant the Victoria & Vancouver Stevedoring Company, ordered some months ago in the East, is now on the road to the Coast. It will be installed by the company for the purpose of handling flourand grain on the C. P. R. wharf, Vancouver, to and from vessels. The apparatus is designed for loading or discharging, and will effect a great saving in labor with respect to the handling of that class of freight. the Victoria & Vancouver Stevedori

SHEARWATER AT PANAMA. H. M. S. Shearwafer has gone to Panama, where she will probably remain until H. M. S. Flora goes south to her relief. H. M. S. Grafton has sailed from Callao for Milenda, and will be due at Valparaiso on March 21st. The latter will be her turning point, and she will be due back at Esquimalt on May 1st.

MARINE NOTES.

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The steam collier Wyefield, on arrival at San Francisco last month with 4.931 tons of coal from Nauaimo, crashed into a wharf when going alongside the coal bunkers, damaging it and caving in the walls of an office near by.

Capt. E. Caine has purchased for the Alaska Pacific Navigation Company the San. Francisco steamer Dora. The Alaska Commercial Company owned the Vessel, for which her purchasers paid \$30,000.

The steamship Hyades is due from the

\$30,000.

The steamship Hyades is due from the Orient on the 26th. The Iyu Maru, of the opposition line, is due the day previ-Tug Lorne has returned from Vancou-

ver, where she went for a hawser to re-place that broken on the steamer Tees.

—The Strathcona wing of the Provin-cial Royal Jubilee hospital is practically completed. It is expected that Con-tractor Catterall will hand over the completed building to Architect Rattenbury some time this week. There only re-main a few minor details to be finished. The plumbing work is almost done and some varnishing has yet to be completed, These will be finished either to-day or tomorrow.

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# TWO TROPHIES WON

DECISIVE MATCHES PLAYED ON SATURDAY

J. B. A. A. Beat Vancouver at Basketball - Victoria Team Vanquished Terminals at Hockey.

J. B, A. A., 20; Sixth Regiment, 10, This was the result of the provincial league bas-ketball match between the teams mentioned at the drill hall on Saturday night. The game was witnessed by a large crowd Throughout the contest there was little of the Bays holding the Vancouver boys down, apparently without the slight ors braced up to a certain extent and increased their score to ten points. While they were doing this, however, the J. B. A. A. players were putting up an exceptionally fast game and made several goals from the

There was a great deal of difference in the style of the two teams. The Vancouver five played a comparatively loose game, paying little attention to checking and indusing in a great deal of useless combination. They had many opportunities to shoot which were not improved. Closer checking would have been of great assistance to the visitors, because in this way they would have prevented Belyea, Smith and Peden from scoring so frequently.

A description of the Bays' method of play is unnecessary. The opposing for

Vancouver braced up considerably when the match recommenced. A number of fruitiess efforts were made to score, but the James Bay guards were always on hand and saved the situation several times. About this time there was some splendid combination among the local boys, and the ball was placed in the basket again by Belyea. The performance was greeted with cheers. The game continued this way for the remainder of the first half. Twice only the Vancouver team managed, to score, and their success ended there, while the J. B. A. A. team had secured ten points before the whistie blew.

During the first five or ten minutes of the second half the James Bays played all the second haif the James Bays played all around their opponents. Everybody on the team took part in the scoring. A decided saprovement was noticeable in R. Peden's work. Shortly after play was resumed he scored with a beautiful shot from almost the centre of the field. This was followed by a goal from Smith, who was playing centre. After this even Finialson, who was playing guard, took a hand in the scor-bay.

There is no doubt that this had a stimulating effect on the visiting five. Encouraged by the applause from those witnessing the truggle, they gave the J. B. A. A. boys some hard work for the remainder of the match. From gbout four points Sayers, Murgatroyd and Boult pulled Vancouver up to ten points. Time was called, however, before they could increase their score any fourther.

MATCH TO-NIGHT.

This evening at the Y, M, C. A. annex hall a junior league match will be played between the Cloverdale and Y, M, C. A. teams. Play will commence at 7.35 o'clock. The Y, M, C. A. team follows: Guards, Roskamp and Matthews; centre, Dougal; forwards, Sommers and Gawley.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

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to Esquimali. The local consignments are being mounted as rapidly as possible. Some 1,800 men have been at work making changes in the fortifications under the direction of engineer officers, dismounting all the old guns and

WEATHER BULLETIN.

perature, 40; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles
S., ralla, 34; weather, cloudy,
Kamboops—Barometer, 29.38; temperature, 16; minimum, 12; wind, calm; snow,
.50; weather, cloudy.
Barkerville—Barometer, 20.36; temperature, 6; minimum, 4; wind, calm; snow, 40;
weather, snow.
Edmonton—Barometer, 20.94; temperature, 18 below; minimum, 20 below; wind,
4 miles E.; snow, 14; weather, snow.

Victoria, B. C., February, 1904.

(Issued by the tidal survey branch of the

PASSENGERS.

Sharp, Mr Patter.

Per steamer Charmer from Vancouver—
Sunday—R Brouson and wife, H Sawyer, F
B Jackson, J Shaortz, H A Gallugher, J A
Cameron, V T Luston, Jim Post, May Ashley, T J Smith, M Maddison, J J Waish and
wife, W H Welsley, G V Hoffmeister, R L
Phelps, J Findlay, E Jacobs, C B Sword,
A E Howse, J H Senkler, Campbell
Sweeney, H T Lockyer, Mrs Trembley,
Chester Balduin, J Durrant, L Sears, Mrs
Reid, R M Reid, H Gilley, J Barlow, R P
McLennan, Mrs S H Stanley, J Murphy,
Miss Russel), Mrs Smith, A E Smith, C W
Guest, J Hunter, A P James, G Cathrea,
C Wilson, M Hully, G W Sudmin, C A
Clark, W E Davidson, F M Hutchins, W B
Herbert, Jno Burns, D O Thomas, R Morton, A Perbing, Geo Tippett, A Burns, J
D Peebles, A Barton, J McKell, B Duke, D
R Thomas, T-H Reid, A C Galt, A MeMillan, J N Purcell, F F Johnston.

THE BEST LAXATIVE SOLD

being 2 goals to 1. Play was interesting, and, although the ground was in poor condition, the combination was fairly good.

V. W. A. A. CHAMPIONS.

An intermediate league match was played on Saturday at Macaniay Point between the Victoria West and Capital teams. The game was well contested, being won by the former by a score of 2 goals to 1. J. G. Brown acted as referee.

The Capitals claimed that both goals made by the V. W. A. A. team were unfair. Before the first was scored it was contended that the ball went behind the goal line and that it had gone fully two feet outside the side line before the second goal was made. When the referee allowed the latter score the capital of the Capital team ordered his men from the field, and the game was awarded the V. W. A. A. Leam.

If the referee's decisions are upheld by the executive of the association the Vic-toria West team has again captured the city intermediate championship, together with the cup, having won three out of four

CENTRALS WON.

The Centrals defeated the Cloverdales on Saturday afternoon by 37 points to nil. This is sweet revenge for their discomfiture at basketball on Saturday when the latter beat them badly.

HOCKEY.

CAPTURED TROPHY.

Victoria captured the Thorpe cup in Victoria captured the Thorpe cup in a match played on Saturday at Oash Bay with Vancouver. The score was 3 goals to 2, and the game was closely contested throughout. All who witnessed the match concede that the local cleven won on their merits, undoubtedly having the best of the struggle. On one occasion only things looked blue for the Capital City team, and that was in the opening of the match, the visiting cleven starting with a rush that was almost successful.

was almost successful.

When the Vigtoria team settled down to work, howaver, the Vegenia team settled down to work, howaver, the Terminal City backs and goal keeper were kept bars. Since and peden played well by Pettingell and Finlaison, and were never allowed a chance to get in a clean shot. Smith, Belyea and Peden played well together. The two former were in good form throughout, and the latter, while off. color in the first half, played a star game in the second part of the match.

From the start the local team had the advantage. The ball was taken directly towards the Sixth Regiment basket, but was returned well down the half. Play continued for some minutes without any score being made. The visiting team's basket was subjected to repeated assaults, but for a time nothing resulted. Finally, however, Belyea managed to score from a quick shot, which elicited enthusiastic applause.

Vancouver braced up considerably when Vancouver proposing goal-keeper, was however, equal to the emergency, and made a save that elicited entrusiastic applause.

Play had continued for some minutes.

before Victoria was given another oppor-tunity to shoot. The visitors took the puck

before Victoria was given another opportunity to shoot. The visitors took the puck
into the local team's territory, and ken.
Gillespie relieved. He passed to Hep. Gillespie, and the latter sent it on to J. Hart.
Running down the right wing, the latter
sent it fo-centre at the right minute, where
it was selzed upon by Al. Gillespie and
sent through with a quick swift shot.
Victoria continued to press their opponents. It was only occasionally that the
visitors got away, and on these occasions
the situation was generally saved. As
usual, Murgatroyd was most prominent
among the Terminal City eleven. The
rushes of the visiting team were simost always led by him. After a number of unsuccessful efforts to penetrate the opposing
defence, the local eleven scored again.
This goal was made in almost identically
the same way as the first, the ball being
passed from the wing to Al. Gillespie, who
sent it through.

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After a few minutes' rest at half time, the bully-off took place. Vancouver played a much better game, and a number of assaults were made on the local team's stronghold. Murgatroyd on one occasion just missed a splendid opportubity. Persevering, however, he shortly after got a chance and scored the first goal for the visitors.

SATURDAY'S RUN.

The heavy ground resulting from the re-cent rains somewhat impaired the success of Saturday's run of the Victoria Hunt Club, which, however, was very thoroughly enjoyed by the thirteen members in attend-ance. The course was through Messre-Rithet's, Welsh's, Ball's and McKenzie's leads ending on Carey rand. The hares lands, ending on Carey road. The hares were in sight of the hounds during the greater part of the afternoon. There was one spill during the run. Next Saturday's outing will start from Oakdean, the residence of Dr. Powell, on Burdette avenue.

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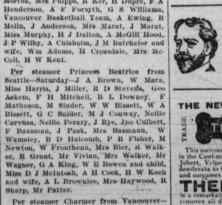
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The rate of fire has also been increased by the more convenient laying-out of the shafting and gearing of the mount. Modern 6-inch guns are being fired from ships eight or ten times in a minute at targets about the size of a ship and a mile distant, and hitting the target at each shot. Of course, doing this from a stable platform on shore would be comparatively easy. The projectile of these guns weighs 100 pounds, the pow-

about 60 per cent. of the weight was gasified, and the remaining 40 per cent. was projected from the gun in the form of dust, constituting a considerable Waste of Energy.

Waste of Energy.

Modern powders, however, are not favored by gunners of the older school. They assert dogmatically that the new-fangled mixtures are not as reliable as the old-fashioned powder; that they will not keep as well when stored; and that they require too careful watching to preserve them in condition. It seems, indeed, to be a well ascertained fact that modern smokeless powders cannot be relied on for constancy in pressure and velocity, and it is admitted that their stability in storage is open to grave doubt.

As to the projectiles and shell charges

by Gunners of Old School—
Protective Armor.

Within the past twenty years great changes have been made in the construction of heavy guns and, more particularly, in the mounting of them says a writer in a London exchange. The modern gun resembles much more the cannon of three hundred years ago in size and shape than it does the weapon which was in use, say fifteen years ago. The guns have increased in weight, though the projectile is no larger. But while the weight of metal has increased, the guns of the present day are much more under the control of the artillerists who are firing them than were the lighter weapons of the past.

The record for the past.

As to the projectiles and shell charges employed in modern artillery, an American unthority observes that there are now armor-piercing projectiles, century projectiles, cast-iron projectiles, shrap-nel, and so on, in endless variety. As the work the gun, whether ashore or affort, will have to do can be pretty clearly predicted, it would appear as though one, or at most two, kinds of projectiles were enough. These two would naturally have, the one a high penetral twenty the projectile is no larger. But while the weight of metal has increased, the guns of the present day are much more under the control of the artillerists who are firing them than were the lighter.

An Idea of Its Destructiveness.

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A small 6-pounder shell, of about 214inch diameter, containing 3 or 4 ounces of powder, burst in an ordinary room and breaking into 20 or 30 fragments, would probably destroy everything in the room.

Coming to the matter of protection or

caps on the hard points of projectiles in-tended to pierce armor. It has been found that these caps largely increase the penetrating power of the projectile, though no satisfactory theory has been invented to account for the fact.

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has been utilized to a very great extent. The gun, mounted behind a very thick parapet, rises only for a very short space of time when it is to be fired, and disappears on rocking levers behind the parapet immediately upon firing, and is loaded in the lower position. It will be seen that the protection of such guns is very good, but their rate of fire is lessened. Possibly it is true that the rate of fire of large guns is not materially less on disappearing mountings than on others; but this casnot be said of the smaller guns and their effectiveness is greatly diminished by the time wasted in their rising and falling, and in aiming them. For such smaller classes of guns in the United States coasts defences, it is planned to use gun shields, which are substantially armor plates covering the gun and its detachment of gunners against the enemy's fire.

It has to be borne in mind, of course, that the effectiveness of some of the latest inventions utilized in modern artillery and in means of protection against its fire, has not been tested in actual

ittest inventions utilized in modern ar-titlery and in means of protection against its fire, has not been tested in netual warfare. It is interesting, none the less, to observe how heavily the resources of modern science have been taxed, on the one hand, to perfect the heavier engines of war, and on the other, to reduce their destructiveness.

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the organization of this world-wide thanksgiving.

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state. The sermon will be preached by the
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Among the earliest to endorse the suggestion that March (th should be observed as
Bible Sunday were the Archbishops of
Canterbury and York; while the Bishops
have, with hardly-an-exception, written letters commending it to the clergy in their
respective dioceses. Cordial resolutions in
favor of the observance have also been received from Baptists, the Congregationalists, the Society of Friends, all denominations of Methodists, the Moravians, and the
Presbyterians. In Scotland, both the Established church and the United Free church
are co-operating in the celebration.

lished church and the United Free church are co-operating in the celebration. In the British colonies the idea was greeted with universal approval. The Metropolitan of Rupert's Land and Primate of all Canada, the Archbishop of Sydney, the Archbishop of the West Indies, and the Archbishop of Capetown, and nearly fifty colonial and missionary bishops of the Anglican communion have written cordially endorsing the observance of Bible Sunday. The chief representatives of non-Episcopal churches in the colonies have responded with equal readiness, and the proposal has received the hearty sanction of the Synod

church have cordially agreed to observe Bible Sunday in their various churches

resolutions have been passed by the Conresolutions have been passed by the Con-sistory of the Protestant State church in Saxony, and the Conventus of both the Lutheran church and the Calvinistic church in Hungary. Thus, throughout the world, thanksgiving will be made to Almighty God in all tongues and by all peoples on this memorable day.

### MY FIRST MUSK-OX.

I was in a dripping perspiration, and had dropped my fur capote and carttargets about the size of a ship and a mile distant, and hitting the target at each shot. Of course, doing this from a table platform on shore would be comparatively easy. The projectile of the projectile has remained always to guns has been Steadily Going On for years past. Six-inch guns, which used to weigh 11,000 pounds, now weigh 18,000 to 20,000 pounds. The weight of the projectile has remained always 100 pounds, but the velocity at which it leaves the gun has facenesed from about 2,000 feet per second to from 3,000 to mode. The weight not be made in the strength of the metal now commonly used in larger to be used with safety, an advance has had to be made in the strength of the metal now commonly used in larger guns is about 50,000 pounds per square inch. This, however, is used only as an additional margin of safety, largely because the recoil of the gun when fired is so great now, and the reaction thereby set up in the carriage is so severe that nothing would be gained by lightening the gun would only man putting additional weight, and perhaps a weight greater than that saved, in the gun-carriage and foundation.

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How a Nap Saved a Man's Life-Lord Melbourne Slumbered at Queen's

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Granville. Struck by the silence which his remarks were received, Gran-ville looked at his guest, and found him in a deep slumber. A diplomatic upset of fire-irons was the way out of the diffi-

culty.

But the bulk of us in these hurrying days are not blessel with this ability to slumber at will. Gladstone's health was never in jeopardy except when he could not sleep. After a spell of insomnia he wrote to a friend his thankfulness that "I am recovering the only great faculty which I ever possessed, the faculty of sleep." It was John Richard Cobden's good fortune that he could sleep well. "If I had not the faculty of sleeping like a dead fish in five minutes after the most small snooze saved a man's life, A juror, overcome in the box, slept while important evidence was given for the defence of a man charged with murder. An appeal was lodged against the vardiet of guilty returned by a jury, not all of whose members had heard the full evidence; and, upon retrial, the accused man was acquitted.

Lord' Melbourne was once the centre of a strange little coinedy at Queen Victoria's dinner table: "Hush!" said Her Majesty. Looking around the guests when seventy years of age, gave Glad-

Majesty. Looking around the guests saw Melbourne fast asleep, and the kindly Queen would not have him disturbed.

Poor, tired M. Thiers came to England in the ago Izing days of the early sevent ties, and I ad an interview with Lord

Dr. Dollinger, the great theofogian, when seventy years of age, gave Glad stone a wrinkle for wooing sleep. His about that time, by learning by heart three books of the Odyssey in order to repeat in bed, and so obtain rest.—St. James's Gazette.

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All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimait & Nanaimo Railway Company within the tract of land bounded on the south that tract of boundary of Comos District, on the Boundary of Comos District, on the Boundary of the Esquimage of the Esquim

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made by me to the Roard of Licensing Commissioners, at its next sitting, for the transfer of the license now held by me for the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors by remain in the "Omineca" Saloon, situated on Government street, between Johnson and Yates, to James Hogg, of this city.

### Notice to Creditors

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EPHRAIM CHAMPOUX, DECEASED, INTESTATE. Take notice that, pursuant to the orde

Take notice that, pursuant to the order of the Honorable Mr. Justice Drake made herein the 16th day of February, 1904, John Kornelius Nelson was appointed administrator of the estate of Ephraim Champoux, deceased, intestate, late of the Hotel Metropole, In the City of Seattle, Washington, United States of America.

And take notice that all creditors of the said deceased are required on or before the 17th day of March, 1904, to send to the undersigned, post paid, particulars of their claims duly verified.

And notice is hereby given that said administrator will, after the said date, proceed to distribute the estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of creditors of whose debts

parties entitled thereto, naving reached to the claims of creditors of whose debts or claims he shall then have received notice, or claims he shall then have received notice, as well not be responsible for the or claims he shall then have received notice, and that he will not be responsible for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed to any person or persons of whose debts of claims he shall not have received notice.

Dated February 17th, 1904.

J. K. NELSON,

Care Eberts & Taylor, Solicitors,
30 Langley St., Victoria, B. C.



tories and within the Yukon Territory are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the lind to be prospected, an area of 6th acros. Should the prospected an area of 6th acros. Should the prospected area of the acros. Should the prospected area of the acros. Should the prospected area of the acros. Should the prospected of acros of the acros. Should the prospected of a cross the prospected of the acros. Should also be prospected as a may be determined, will be sold to the discoverer at the rate of \$1.00 an acre, subject to royalt; at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

Department of the interior, Ottawa, Sept., 1003.

## Notice.

Revised Statutes, Canada, 1886, Chapter 92, and Statute 52, Victoria, Chapter 13, PROPOSED RECLAMATION OF LAND AT THE PORT OF VICTORIA; B. C. the Minister of Fusing Torks at the thereof have been deposited in the Registry Office at Victoria, B. C. 17th February, 1904, GHN LLEWELLYN LEIGH.

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# Furniture



Alexander Watson, jr., left for Prince
Albert, on the Saskatchewan, on Saturday night, where in about a mouth hence
he will commence the construction of a
sternwheel steamer for the Hudson Bay
Company. From Prince Albert he goes
to Fort Vermillion, where more vessels
will be built. In all there will be three
or four of these craft built. They will
all be of small size and light draught, as
they are intended for operation on the
Peace river and some of its tributaries
which enter a country being newly setwhich enter a country being newly set-tled and in which the Hudson Bay, Company are opening out new branches of business. The material for the vessels will, it is believed, be purchased in Winnipeg. It is somewhat compliment-ary to Mr. Wutson and also to the skill ary to Mr. Watson and also to the skill of Victoria ship carpenters that he should have been selected by the company-in-preference to men who might more easily have been secured in the eastern provinces. Mr. Watson, however, has a reputation for good work, as his father had before him. He has to his eredit a number of the best stern-wheel steamers on the coast, notable among them being the Mount Royal, which he built for the Hudson Bay Company's Skeena river service; the Hazelton, the Casco and many others. Mr. Watson is an elder brother of Victoria's fire chief. His rather, who is still living Watson is an elder brother of Victoria's fire chief. His father, who is still living, is a pioneer on this coast. He it was who built many of the craft which plied the Fraser in the early seventies. He constructed the Elizabeth Irving, which was burned on her maiden trip up the river. He then built the R. P. Rithet to replace her. He built the old steamer Reliance and the historic tug Alexander, which is still in service, and more re-cently turned out of his hands the Yu-koner and Gleaner.

The Hamilton Times, which devotes some six columns to the marriage of Miss Sanford, daughter of the late Senator Sanford, says that Christ Church Cathedral, where the marriage took place on the 10th inst., had been the scenes of many grand weddings, but this one surpassed them all in point of magnificence. There were some 300 invitations to friends in America and Europe. The decorations, wedding breakfast, etc., were on a gorgeous scale.

-Drink Black and White Scotch

The British Medical Journal, in an article describing the home now that it has been prepared for its new uses, states that the alterations have converted the wings of Osborne House Into an Ideal convolca-

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Will Effect a Splendid Improvement in the Service - Something About Its Merits.

For a few second's duration about 1 'clock yesterday morning Victoria was vithout a telephone service, but this brief temporary deprivation was the precusor of what undoubtedly will prove a very satisfactory condition. It was at this juncture that the new system, which represents a great deal of money, and a world of mechanical skill and labor, was assentially sudden inauguration of the heads of the has-beens. This almost stardingly sudden inauguration of the new order, was the culmination of the new arrangement for their own satisfaction.

PERSONAL.

Wm. N. Bissett, W. W. Bissett, Geo. Snyder and Fred. Snyder, of Bullion, Carbone 1stored with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the Consolidated cariboe Hydraulic Mining Company, and is the former is connected with the propose of attending the converse of the purpose of attending the converse of the purpose of attending the converse of the purpose of attending the converse of the new arrangement for their biggrings to the new arrangement for their biggrings to t

mediate operation of the new,

At 1 o'clock on Sunday morning overything was in readiness. Under the superintendence of E. McLen, the ungineer dispatched by the Northern Electric Company, of Montreal, which nanufactured the plaint, men were dataloned at their respective posts about manufactured the plant, men were stationed at their respective posts about the distributing racks, and when he gave the word "cut," off went the old and in came the new. This operation occupied but a few seconds, and as stated, during that time Victoria was bereft of a telephone service. While the girls were en route from the Five Sisters' block quarters to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to their new supers of work the new terms to the new terms t

Four the Five Sisters' block quar-ters to their new spiere of work the mea took charge of the switchboard. The first call was from Captain Davidson, who asked for 120. Then followed a number of other calls, and the procession is now in full swing.

Before aniluding to the constituents and character of the plant, reference to what the change involves is grigely in and character of the plant, reference to what the change involves is strictly in order. In the first place, as subscribers should be thoroughly aware by this time, it is unnecessary for them to ring a bell to attract Central's attention. The mere removal of the receiver from its place effects this, and before very long it will be perfectly matent that the reapones will be perfectly patent that the response will be appreciably more prompt than has been the case in the past. All the belt cranks on the subscribers' instruments will be removed shortly, so that human cranks may not suffer from the annoyance which would inevitably follow their manipulation in a moment of abstract. ance which would inevitably follow their manipulation in a moment of abstrac-tion. The day when the dulcet tones of solicitous Centrals will interrupt delight-ful intercourse with "have they answer-ed?" "waiting?" and "did you get them?" is forever past. Central is now entirely aware when the conversation commences and when it ends. There is no "ringing off." The return of the re-ceiver to its rack is all that is required.

required the constant supervision of Mr. McLea, the engineer detailed for the task by the firm, and the employment of a considerable number of nien. As the work progressed the new system was closely studied by the mechanical department of the local company, so that partment of the local company, so that they were pretty well abreast of its mechanism when it was ready for oper-ation. In the basement is situated the power plant and the main distributing rack. For a layman to attempt an in-telligent description of this section is an impossibility. Suffice to say that this is where the cubics enter and where the storage hatteries that annuls the reverse

is where the cables enter and where the storage batteries that supply the power which operates the system, are situated. The cables pass up through a chute to the ret floor, where the intermediate distributing rack and relay rack are situated in one room, and the switch-board in the apartment adjoining. From a spectacular standpoint it is the switch-board which rivets the attention. It is so vastly an improvement on the ancient affair with which operators have so long diligently struggled that a stranger from Zululand would appreciate it. This part of the system is entirely visual. That is, when a subscriber removes his receiver from the rack a tiny light illuminates the hole corresponding to his number. When the operator makes the connection by "plugging" in the hole of the number requested, two little lights are up on the located in from the form.

requested, two little lights are up on the board in front of her. When the conversation starts these lights go out. When if stops they are up again and Central then severs the connection.

Every indication is supplied by lights. The operator, therefore, doesn't have to bob up serenely in the midst of an intercourse, with the liquidity. This connection,

Times reporter to impress upon subscribers the desirability of promptly
notifying the office if they encountered
trouble. The company, he says, aims at
furnishing a service entirely satisfactory.
It will be a week or ten days before
everything will be running smoothly, and
in the meantime the subscribers will
have to exercise a little patience. They
must not be alarmed nor offended if their
attention is called to their own carelessness in a rather novel fashion. After a
conversation is finished they should return the receiver to its rack. If they
allow it to hang they will hear a siren
whistle, a gentle reminder in no parwhistle, a gentle reminder in no par feular key, that they have forgotter

something.

The opening of the new system was celebrated or Saturday night before the "ent in" by an informal dinner at the Poodle Dog, at which the male employees of the company and friends were the guests of the superintendent, H. W. Kent. The affair was most enjoyable, and constituted an advance compensation. Acad. The affair was most enjoyable, and constituted an advance compensation for the worry and excitement which necessarily prevailed when the crucial moment arrived several hours laterwhen the old order gave way to the new. Subscribers are invited to make a little pligrining to the new quarters and inspect the new arrangement for their out.

tended visit here. Samuel Esb, of Chemainus, and L. Sears, of Scattle, are in the city. They are at the

Farewell Address of the First President

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Feb. 22.—Washington's birthday was generally observed in this city to-day. The farewell address of the first President was read in the Senate. The federal and municipal offices were closed and only a few of the business houses were closed and only a few of the business houses were opened. There were several patriotic demonstrations.—Historic Alexandria, six miles south of here, on the Virginia side of the Pontiac river, where George Washington was a familiar figure during most of his career, celebrated the day with an elaborate military and civic parade.

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"That is too long," said the Czar. He

FIRE IN HOTEL.

(Associated Press.) Chicago, Feb. 22.-Fire to-day partly destroyed the building occupied by the Allambra theatre hotel apartments. The structure was three stories high and fronted on Archer avenue and 19th street. Several persons were carried from their apartments and there were a number of narrow escapes. So far as known only one was seriously injured. The loss is \$57,000.

USES OF THE OAK.

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them?" Another decided improvement
and a wonderful time saver is the arrangement by which each of the girls
an give connection with any number of
the 1.200 requested. The assistance of
ther neighbor is unnecessary. She can
do the whole operation herself. The
change also produces improvements in
the long distance service.

There is another point which should
not escape notice even in a casual survey. This is the readiness with which
trouble on the wires can be detected. An
indication of this also is given by a light.

In this connection Supt. Kent asked a



REV. R. B. BLYTH,

Who Has Been Compelled, Through Ill-Health, to Resign Pastorate of the Congregational Church,

Rev. R. B. Blyth, of the Coogrega-lound church, took formal leave of his ongregation on Sunday. The farewell cryice was of a most impressive char-ter. Geo. Carter took charge of the ervice, and in the course of his femarks which resulted in the separation of pastor and congression. Rev. Mr. Blyth, said rendered by Mrs. Gregson and Miss Mr. Carter had labored most arduously Scowcroft. There was a very large coming the work of the church, and it seemed most regretate that after he had seen it advanced so far and placed on such a progressive basis that he could not result to the doors.

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progressive basis that he could not red these columns to the excellent work don mais and reap the rewards of his faithed for the church by Rev. Mr. Blyth.

GENERAL KOUROPATKIN.

Minister Who Will Command Russians in Far East, Rose From Sub-Lieutenaut.

With the proclamation of peace Kouropatkin, now raised to the grade of colonel, returned to St. Petersburg, where he was appointed Asiatic director of the general staff and joint professor of military statistics in the academy. Small as it is, Freudenstadt is a fullof the general staff and joint professor of military statistics in the academy. Again trouble broke out in Turkestan. Russia, still smarting at the memory of England's interference in Turkey, conceived the idea of making these troubles a pretext for conquering the entire territory, and thundered at the very gates of India. The British public, catching some rumor of this plan, was aroused. Lord Salisbury pooh-poohed their fears. "The Turcoman barrier," he insisted, "will last during our lifetime, at least. Russia cannot conquer the

duce the Turcomans to submission, he replied, "Three years."

"That is too long," said the Czar. 'He recalled Tergonkasoff and put Skobeleff in his place. Skobeleff secured Kouropatkin for his chief of staff. In less than three months these two performed the feat, which Tergoukasoff had said would take three years, and Lord Salisbury a lifetime.

For his services he was promoted to

For his services he was promoted to the rank of major-general. From 1883 to 1890 he was engaged on the general staff and especially in the work of re-organizing the Russian army. On March 27th, 1890, he was appointed

on March 2th, Isso, he was appointed overnor of the Trans-Caspian district and commanded any completed by peaceful means the work he had begun by conquest. He succeeded in pacifying the Turcoman hordes who formerly roamed unchecked over the wilds of Central Asia; he introduced modern inventions into the villages and cities, agenced into the villages and cities, opened schools everywhere, built railroads and manned them with Russian officials. Pinally, on January 1st. 1898, he became minister of war of the Russian Empire.

—Exchange.

Overcoine by joy at her brother's success in securing a local appointment, Miss Mar-garet Hanson, of Donesster, Eng., died. through the bursting of a blood vessel on

CHIEF OF KOREAN CUSTOMS

McLeavy Brown Hus Spent Many Years in the Hermit Kingdom.

Lieutenant.

Lieutenant.

Lieutenant.

Lieutenant.

Lieutenant.

Few men are better known in the Par conting stated that prospects for a successful season at Bullion were bright. According to reports there had been a fall of several feet of snow and the lakes were filling up. With plenty of water the returns would be greater than before.

Dr. P. F. Scharschmidt, marine superintendent of the B. Y. Navigation Company, and J. H. Rogers, general agent of the Whateom on Saturday en route North, crew Whateom on Saturday en route North, crew Whateom on Saturday en route North, crew for San war since 1866, and worked his classin war since 1866, and worked his classin war since 1866, and worked his class in glorious record in every important Russian war since 1866, and worked his class in the Leavy Brown, the chief countsistener of the Korean maritime customs of the Markan Pacific Navigation Company, and J. H. Rogers, general agent of the greatest of modern Russian war since 1866, and worked his classin war since 1866, and worked his year to the command of the army in year to the command of the army in the Imperial maritime customs of Chinas has a commissioner of the Korean maritime customs of Chinas has a contains no man so thoronghly equipped in every brown, the chief counts of the Korean maritime customis in the Par East.

Educated in the theory of arms at the best of the Russian military schools, trained to practice under the greatest of modern Russian warriors.

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Small as it is, Freudenstadt is a full-fledged city with a major, aldermen, half a dozen policemen, and a fire engine. The public business is conducted on an economical basis, and the total expenses do not ex-

cal basis, and the total expenses do not exceed 45,000 a year.

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After deducting all the expenses of the After deducting all the expenses of the

industry the annual profit to the acre is about it. This is exceptional even for Germany, where the annual profit ranges from fifteen shillings to £1.

A SELF-IMPORTANT PEOPLE.

The Hereros, who are at present causin The Hereros, who are at present causing such trouble to their German rulers, have a very good opinion of themselves. One of their songs in honor of their chief runs somewhat as follows: "What is the King of England, what is the King of Germany compared with thee, O' Manereo, first among all Princes? Have they so many thousand cattle as thou? No! Who is so mighty as art thou?" Their chief wealth is, of course, in the form of cattle, says the Manchester Guardian, some of their headmen possessing herds of 10,000 or so, and their fixed opinion that the only, reason why a white man visits their country is that he may for once in his life get a that he may for once in his life get a "square meal," having no cattle of his own. When speaking to a European they address him as "Orlyrombo," that is to say, "white thing." When speaking of him to each other, they call him "mutua," or "slave."

When a Russian dies he is buried with a paper in his hands. On this is written his Unristian name, as well as a prayer for his

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SANDIFORD—At New Denver, on Feb. 12th, the wife of C. A. Sandiford, of a daughter.

CLEYER—At New Denver, on Feb. 13th, the wife of H. Clever, of a sob.

the wife of H. Clever, of a son,
O'NEAIL—At Slocan, on Feb. 12th, the
wife of D. B. O'Neail, of a son.
FULLERTON—At Nelson, on Feb. 17th,
the wife of H. M. Fullerton, of a son.
PARSON—At Golden, on Feb. 5th, the wife
of H. G. Farsop, of a daughter.
FIRETZ—At Revelstoke, on Feb. 15th, the
wife of L. A. Fretz, of a daughter.
DIED.

DIED. SMITH-At Revelstoke, on Feb. 12th, Mrs. William Smith, aged 69 years. William Smith, aged 69 years.

SHAW—At Arrowhead, on Feb. 12th,
Daniel Shaw, aged 49 years.

FLEMING—At Revelstoke, on Feb. 14th,
Charles H. Fleming, aged 49 years.

MACFARLANE—At New Westminster, on
Feb. 18th, Mrs. M. J. MacFarlane, aged
72 years.

O'BRIEN—At New Westminster, on Feb.
18th, C. O'Brien, aged 35 years.

CRAWFORD—At Vancouver on Feb. 90th

ISIN, C. O'Brien, aged 35 years.
CRAWFORD—At Vancouver, on Feb. 20th,
Mrs. R. Crawford, aged 58 years.
ROBERTSON—At New Westminster, on
Feb. 20th, Mrs. D. Robertsón, aged 77
years.

A RECORD CAPTAIN.

Captain Alexander McKay, F. R. G. seemmodore of the Cunard fleet, sailed hast voyage on the Lucania before his fittement. He had been at sea forty-eig years, thirty-four of them in the service, the Cunard company, fourteen of who vessels he commanded. For one with long an experience his record is probab unique. As he puts it himself: "I hanever met with a disaster in my lifte, not lost a ship, never grounded, never ran at body down, never was run down by st body, hayen't even had my feet vasal by saft water since I went to sea."—Load News. Captain Alexander McKay, F. R. G. S.



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